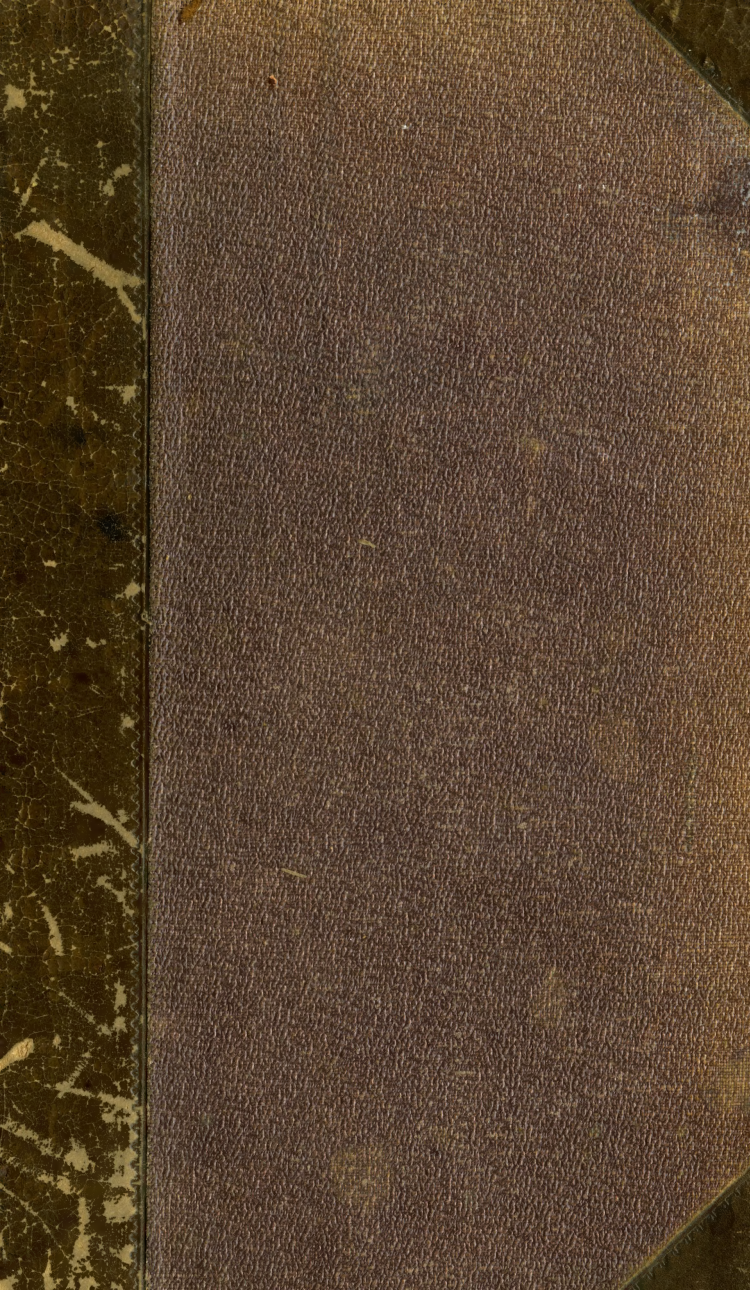


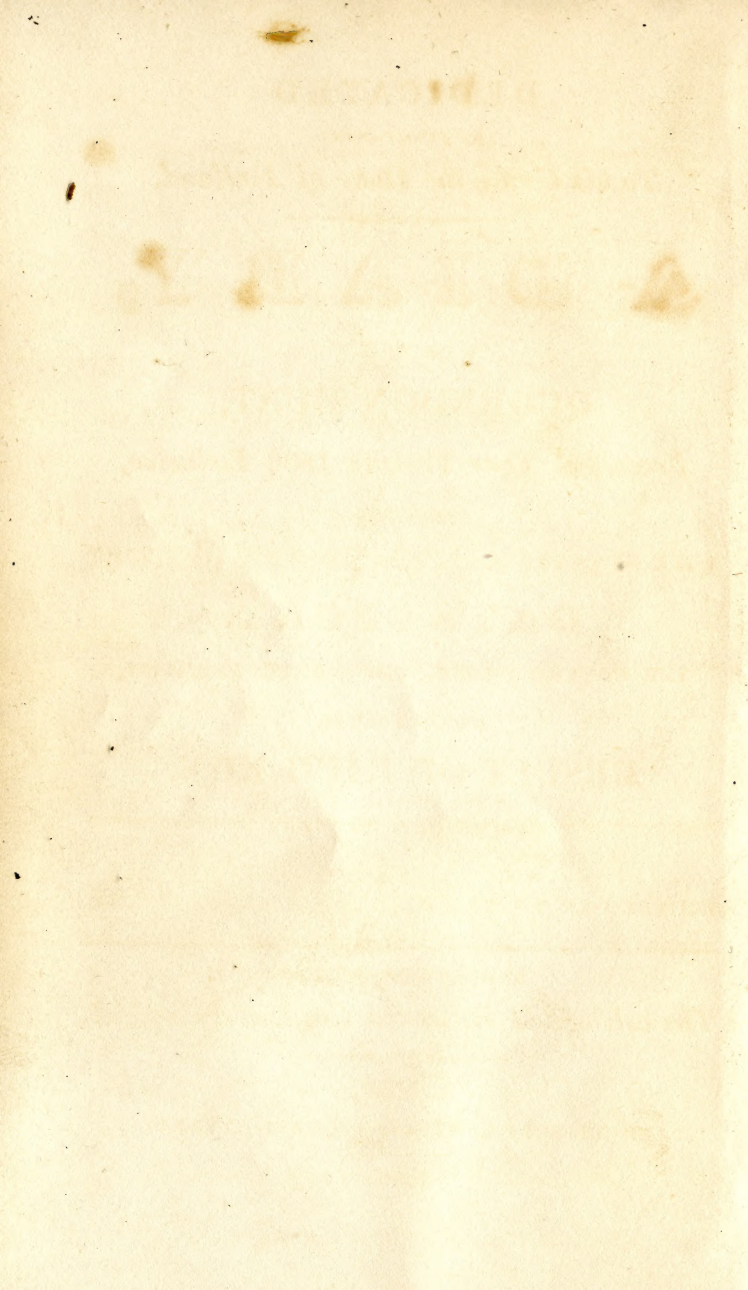


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From the Year 1791 to 1800 Inclusive,

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MY LORD,

IN permitting the following trifle to be inscribed to your Grace, an importance may be attached to it, which its intrinsic merit may not wholly justify, To literary eminence it cannot have the least pretension; but as a succinct record of the achievements of one of the first Packs of Fox Hounds in the Kingdom, under the most experienced Sportsmen, its fidelity and accuracy may safely challenge every possible scrutiny.

Your Grace's condescension has kindly spared the Editor many painful throes, for to whose protection and patronage could this Journal have been dedi-

cated with more propriety than to the Head of that Illustrious Family who are not less distinguished by their inherited Rank, Titles, and Wealth, than by their hereditary and ardent attachment to the healthful sports of the Chace, and to that more hazardous and honorable ambition of risking the perils of Naval and Military enterprise, while inspiring and directing the prowess of British valour.

That the Noble House of MANNERS may continue to be among the first to share the dangers of Warfare, and that your Grace, Family, and Friends, may long enjoy, without interruption, the pleasures of the Field and the munificent hospitality of BELVOIR, are the sincere and heartfelt wishes of many, but of none with more warmth, than

Your Grace's most obliged,

Obedient and grateful Servant,

JOSEPH JONES.

A DIARY,

OF

THE QUORNDON HUNT.

1791.

B. F.

August 12th.—Went with the young hounds to Hell Hole, and killed a brace of Foxes, ... 1..0

Sept. 14th.—Went to Easton Park, and killed a brace of Foxes, ... 1..0

At Tilton Wood and Skeffington Earths, a brace, 1..0

28th.—Bradley Plantation, two brace, ... 2..0

Found at Shirley Park, run hard at times, and killed at Mayfield.—1 h. 23 m. 0..1

30th.—Found at Thornley Gorse, and killed at Osmaston.—55 m. 0..1

Oct. 6th.—Found at Billesdon Coplow, went away by the Town over by Skeffington Earths, Rolleston Wood, to Galby Town, and killed.—1 h. 20 m. .. 0..1

8th.—Found at Easton Park, run about there and Stockerston Wood, and killed a brace of Foxes, .. 1..0

10th.—Went to Tilton Wood, did not find; found in Loddington Renish; hounds were running there and Laund Wood for 3 h. 30 m. and lost.

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Oct. 12th.—Found at Laughton Hill, run to Gumley Wood Plantation, and killed at the Wood one Fox.—1 h. 33 m. 0..1

Found at Gumley Wood, went to Laughton Hills, and killed.—20 m. 0..1

14th.—Found at Easton Common and lost in the Park, bad scent; then found at Stockerston Wood, run him 40 minutes hard, lost him near Horminghold.

18th.—Found at Budden Wood, run about the Wood 1 h. 40 m. and killed,..... 0..1

19th.—Found at Hell Hole, run about there and Fox Hill, and killed,..... 0..1

21st.—Found at Gotham Cover, run to ground at Cross's Earth, and lost one at Fox Hill; then killed one at Stanford Park, in our way home, ... 0..1

22d.—Found at Leak Hill, and run to ground at Cross's Dumble; then found at Costock Lea, & lost.

24th.—Met at Rempston, and found in Mr. Saville's Cover, run a good while, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Costock Leas, and whipt the hounds off there.

26th.—Met at Walton Thorns, and found, run to Shoby Scholds, and back to Walton Thorns, and killed—1 h. 0..1

Hit of a drag at Walton Thorns, went over by Cole-pit Leas back to the Thorns, and lost near Alsop's New Cover.

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Oct. 27th.—Found at Hell Hole, run to ground at the Dumble; found near Hell Hole, killed there; tried Rempston Lings, came home, ... 0..1

29th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Robert's Cover, run very hard to Dalby Town, and killed.—1 h. 0..1

Found at Alsop's Old Cover, run for some time and stopt the hounds at Wysall Gorse.

31st.—Met at Walton Thorns, and found, run a good while about Thrussington Wolds, Shoby Scholds, Walton Thorns, and Cole-pit Leas, and killed at Lord Ferrers.—John Raven was not out, ... 0..1

Nov. 2d.—Met at Costock, found at the Round Hill, run about the Old Wood, Bunny Park, and caught, but did not kill him, ... 0..1

Then found at Rancilff, run to Round Hill, Bunny Woods, and killed in the Old Wood.—35 m. 0..1

3d.—Found at Normanton Wolds, went away to Rancilff, lost at Keyworth, did not find till late, a bad day.

6th.—Met at Hell Hole, and found, came away to Stanford Park, and lost; then found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, run through Bunny Old Wood, back by the Cover, and lost by Wimeswould.

8th.—Met at Dalby Wood, found at Saxelby Gorse, run to Piper Hole, and lost.—1 h.—Then found at Wartnaby Gorse, and lost.

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Nov. 10th.—Met at Costock, found near Bunny New Wood, & killed at Costock Leas.—near an hour, 0..1

Found at Mr. Boothby's Cover, run to Clifton, and lost.

12th.—Met at Cotes Turnpike, found at Mare Hill Spinney, run to ground just by there in a drain; then tried Alsop's Cover, did not find, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

Another went away by Highfield Spinney, Costock, Bunny Woods, back to the Cover, and lost.

14th.—Met at Bunny, tried the Gardens, did not find, found at the Decoy, and killed by Costock; so bad a day we came home, ... 0..1

16th.—Met at Bunny Hill, tried the Old Wood, Round Hill, found at Plumtree Gorse, went away over the Wolds, across the Vale near to BELVOIR, and run to ground at Eaton.

17th.—Met at Brooksby, found at Frisby Gorse, went to ground at Melton Drains; then found at Haines's Gorse, run awhile and killed, ... 0..1

One went away, run to ground at Black Drains; found at Lord Richard's Cover, run to ground at the same drain.—Did not hunt on the 19th on account of rain.

21st.—Met at Walton Thorns, did not find, found at Thrussington Wolds, went away by Shoby Scholds, by Wartnaby, hunted up to a fox by Sysonby, and lost at Melton Spinney.

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Nov. 23d.—Met at Wartnaby, found at Kent's Thorns, run about Clawson Thorns, Holwell Mouth, and killed, at the Thorns.—1 h. 0..1

Then found below the Stone Pits, went away by Shoby Scholds, back to Saxelby Gorse, Grimston, back to Shoby Lane, and killed.—1 h. 30 minutes, very hard, ... 0..1

25th.—Met at Remptson, found at Mr. Saville's Cover, run about the Park for some time, and lost; then found at Fox Hill, run about an hour in Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Costock Leas, run to Leak Hills, back to the Leas, through Bunny Woods, and Round Hill, the hounds parted at Keyworth, some went to the Wolds, and some over by Bradmore below the Decoy in the Moors, I stopt them at Bunny New Wood end; Mr. Ella stopt 3 couple.

28th. Did not on account of rain.

29th.—Met at Syston, tried Queniborough Gorse, did not find, found in the Thorns at Barkby Holt, went away by Ashby Pasture, Lord Richard's Cover, to Kirkby Park, back by Lord R's Cover, then run to ground at Melton Drains or Burton.

Dec. 1st.—Met at Costock, found in Bunny Old Wood, went away by Rancliff, Keyworth, the Wold, and lost him by Owthorpe Earths; tried over the Wolds, did not find, found at Mr. Boothby's Cover, run to ground at Wilford Hill.

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Dec. 3d.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Broughton Gorse, went away by Clawson, down the Vale, and run to ground near BELVOIR.—1 h. 23 m.

Snow and frost a month.

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Jan. 3d.—Met at Gumley Wood, found, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Laughton Hills, run about there and Gumley Wood for an hour, & lost; afterwards found near Laughton Hill, went through Gumley Plantation, back over the Hills by Bosworth and Sulby Lodge, by Clipston Firs, and killed him near Hasslebeeck.—1 h. 45 m. 0..1

Hounds and horses were very near all tired.

5th.—Met at Langton Hall, did not find till we came to the Coplow, run about there for some time, and lost at Billesdon.

7th.—Met at Cotes; found at Rempston Lings, run about there awhile, then went away by Hoton Hill, Prestwould, Wimeswould, and Alsop's house, by Hickling Gorse, and Broughtons, and killed him near Clawson.—2 h. 35 m. 0..1

9th.—Met at Alsop's house, tried the Cover, did not find, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away by Thorp Earths, Wimeswould, and Wysall Field, by Keyworth, and lost at Ranciff.

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Jan. 16th.—Met at Costock, found at Bunny Old Wood, went away by the Decoy and Ruddington, Wilford Hill, to the Trent facing Colwick, then back by Cotgrave, at very cold hunting, then came to a hollow near Hoe Hill, and hunted up to him there, run him over Hoe Hill, the Wolds, by Normanton, Plumtree Gorse, and Blackcliff, and killed, 0..1

The burst 27 minutes, in all above three hours.

18th.—Met at Widmerpool, found near Hickling, Gorse, went away by the Town, back by the Gorse, over by Cross's, lost him near Old Dalby, tried all the Hickling Covers, Kinoulton Gorse, over the Wolds to Normanton, and did not find any more.

24th.—Met at Cotes, tried over Stanford Earths, found at Rempston Lings, run about there and the Park to Rempston, and killed.—1 h. 0..1

Tried Hell Hole, found at Fox Hill, and killed immediately, ... 0..1

One went away by Hell Hole, back by Fox Hill, Cragg Spinney, over Gotham Moor and Wood, by Thrumpton Wood, Red Hill, back by Fox Hill, Hell-Hole, over Leak Hills to Bunny Wood, a ring round Costock Leas, back by the New Wood, over the Field through Hell Hole, & stopt them going for Fox Hill.

26th.—Met at Muckling Wood, found at the Out-woods, went away over the Forest to Swithland Wood, and killed.—50 m. 0..1

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Found in Swithland Wood, run awhile there, then went away over part of the Forest, through Bradgate Park, by Grooby Pool to Martinshaw, and run him to ground.—2 h.

28th.—Met at Cotes, tried for Jones's Gorse, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away to Stanford Park, run about Rempston Lings, and lost at Rempston Town.

30th.—Met at Syston, found at Berry Clift, went away over by Croxton, to Barkby Holt, run about the Holt nearly an hour, then hunted him away by Hungarton, Quenby, lost him at Loseby.

Feb. 1st.—Met at Costock, found on the Lings, run him 30 minutes and killed, ... 0..1

Then hunted another through Bunny Old Wood, Round Hill, and lost; tried Rancliff, found at Plumtree Gorse, and killed, ... 0..1

One went away to Rancliff, and killed that, ... 0..1

When trying Mr. Boothby's Cover, one went away, run him through Blackcliff, Rancliff, by Ruddington, to Clifton Gardens, and run to ground, dug him out, turned him up by Ruddington.—The run 1 h. 15 m.

3d.—Met at Wartnaby, found at the Gorse, run him by Holwell Mouth, Clawson Thorns, towards Clawson, back by the Thorns, & by Holwell, killed in Scalford Liberty, ... 0..1

Then found at Kent's Thorns, and killed, ... 0..1

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Feb. 3d.—Went away with another fox by Mr. Smith's Cover, towards Sysonby, back by Kent's Thorns, Kettleby, and Holwell Gorse, down to Sysonby, and lost.

6th.—Met at Walton Thorns, found at Thrussington Wolds, went away by Shoby Scholds, by Dalby, Wood and Broughton, over Widmerpool Gorse, by Keyworth, Debdale, through Rancilff, and killed by Bradmore.—1 h. 10 m. 0..1

8th.—Met at Frisby Gorse, found, and killed, .. 0..1

Then found in a small Cover about the two others, went away by Ashby Pasture, Thorpe, Burrow, and Somerby, round Little Dalby, up the rise on Burrow Hills, back by Thorpe, Ashby Pasture, a fox went away back to Thorpe, by Ashby, by the Drains to Brooksby, I stopt the hounds, Master and I joined them with nine couple, and killed at Brooksby.—2 h. 10 m. 0..1

10th.—Met at Costock, tried the Leas, the Old Wood, Round Hill, Rancilff, Bunny Gardens, Decoy, hounds run a hare, then on Leak Hills, found at Mr. Willoughby's Cover, came over by Fox Hill, Hell Hole, Leak Hills, through Bunny Woods, to Rancilff, and killed.—35 m. 0..1

13th.—Met at Syston, found at Queniborough Gorse, went away and killed at a house near Barkby Holt.—2 m. 0..1

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Feb. 13th.—Also found at Barkby Holt, went away by Beeby, Hungarton, to the Coplow, run him into Mr. Palmer's House, and bagged him; I turned him up coming home, the hounds ran another for awhile in the Coplow, and killed, ... 0..1

14th.—Met at Loughbro' Outwoods, and found, came away, hounds not near him, but hunted him into Swithland Wood, run him nearly an hour to ground, got out a bitch fox, when done hunting, turned her out; then found at Bazzel Wood, went away to Swithland Wood, by Bradgate Park, and back to Swithland Wood, killed by the Slate Pits, nearly an hour, ... 0..1

16th —Met at Widmerpool Barn, a fox went away from the best Cover over by Widmerpool, down by the Brook, over Keyworth Gorse, by Bunny Park, crossed the road between the Park and Bradmore, by the Decoy, in the field, over the Hill facing Leak, then on the field between Fox Hill and Mr. Willoughby's Cover, Cragg Spinney, Gotham Moor & Wood, over the next Hill, back by Gotham Town, over the Moor & Leak Hills, Costock, to Mr. Saville's Cover, and killed in the Plantation.—1 h. 55 m. .. 0..1

18th.—Did not hunt on account of snow.

25th.—Met at Hell Hole, did not find, tried Fox Hill, Cragg Spinney, Gotham Cover, came back to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, a fox went away by Fox Hill, Hell Hole, & at Fox Hill stopt the hounds.—1 h.

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Feb. 27th.—Met at Syston, tried Queniborough Gorse, did not find, found at Berry Clift, and killed immediately, ... 0...1

Went and tried part of Frisby Gorse, Lord Robert's Cover, Haines, Ashby Pasture, Thrustles, Garthorp Hill, some Little Covers just by, then came home.

March 1st.—Met at Cossington Spinney, hit a drag near Thrussington Wolds, hunted up to him at the Wolds, came away by Walton Thorns, Seagrove, Cole-pit Leas, by Hoby, Frisby, & Rotherby, run to ground at Brooksby.—1 h. 10 m.

3d.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Robert's Cover, went away by Kinoulton Wood, Owthorpe Gorse, over the Lings and Fields, by Pierre-point, and lost; we then came and tried Hoe Hill, the Wolds, then to Plumtree Gorse, found, went away through Blackcliff, Ranceliff, Bunny Park, through Bunny Woods, to the Brook near the Decoy, to Bunny, and killed, ... 0...1

5th.—Met at Ashford, found at Kent's Thorns, went away by Welby, to Sysonby, back by Asfordby to Kent's Thorns, then by Welby, and lost; came to a hollow by Kent's Thorns, hunted him away by Kettleby, Holwell Mouth, through Piper Hole, Eastwell, Stathern Mill, almost to Belvoir; 3 foxes got up together, we stopt them, and came home.

Joseph Harrison was hurt on this day.

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March 8th.—Met at Cole-pit Leas, found at Thrusington Wolds, went away by Hoby to Shoby Scholds, stopt the hounds from a fox; then found another at Shoby Scholds, came away by the Wolds, Seagrave, Hoby, back by the Wolds, Cole-pit Leas, Thrussington, Rearsby, Ratcliff, by the New Cover, and lost near Seagrave.

11th.—Met at Swithland Town, joined hounds with Lord Stamford's, found at Swithland Wood, went away over the Park, Sand Hills, Lee Wood, Copt Oak, by Markfield, back to Lee Wood; their hounds run a hare, we stopt them, and lost the fox: then found in a Gorse, came away by Lee Wood, Sand Hills, the Park, Swithland Wood, to Bazzel, and run to ground; one went away to Budden Wood, run him to ground, came home. Bellman and Gaylass went back with the run fox from Swithland Wood, and killed him at Sand Hills; one of their hounds joined them, ... 0..1

12th.—Met at Cotes, tried Jones's, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, came away between Rempston and Costock to Stanford Park, Stanford Earths, back over Rempston Lings, and killed in the Spinney near the Kennel, in the Park, ... 0..1

15th.—Met at Stanford, tried over the Earths and Willow Beds, Rempston Lings, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away towards Thorp Earths, to the Cover again, stopt the hounds, then tried the Round Hill, hit of a scent in the Old Wood, hunted

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him over Costock Leas, Leak Hills, through Hell Hole, Fox Hill, Cragg Spinney, stopt them, then hunted a scent from Stocking Hole, over Leak Hills, to Costock Leas, and lost him, came home.

March 17th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Hickling Gorse, went away by Hickling Town and Clawson, on the vale, then up to Piper Hole, and run to ground; Rancor and Dreadnot pulled him out and killed; run him three quarters of an hour, ... 0..1

Turned up a bag fox at Hickling Hill, and killed him by Kinoulton.—30 m..... 0..1

19th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found at Billesdon Colpow, came away by Quenby Park to the Holt, back by Beeby, Quenby, round by Baggrave House, by Croxton, to the Holt, and killed.—2 h. 25 m.—A deal of hunting, ... 0..1

21st.—Met at Stocking Wood, did not find, tried Sheet Hedges, but found in Steward's Hay, went away by Lee Wood, Sand Hills, through Bradgate Park, Newtown, to Steward's Hay, run there some time, then back by Cover Clouds, Lee Wood, Sand Hills, over the Forest to Swithland Wood, through Hunger Hill, by Woodhouse, to Budden Wood; run there awhile, went away back the same way to Swithland Wood, through Bradgate Park, Sand Hills, over the Forest to Beacon Hill, and lost him.—Run 4 hours 30 minutes.

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March 24th.—Met at Bazzel Wood, did not find, tried Swithland Wood, Sand Hills, some Gorse, did not find, found at Bardon Hill, and killed, ... 0...1

One went away by Green Hill Turnpike, by Timber Hill, over Whitwick Rocks, and lost him; then found at Gracedieu Park, and run him to ground just by; dug him out, run him to Breedon, Langley Spinneys, to Donington Park and lost.

26th.—Met at Billesdon Coplow, and found, run some time in Cover, then went away by Billesdon, over Sykes's Earths, by Rolleston, by Goadby, and lost by Keythorp.—He was killed by a Shepherd, we had ten couple of hounds out that had never been entered.

29th.—Met at Martinshaw, did not find, tried Ratby Burrows and Wood, Willington Ruff, & found in Steward's Hay, run awhile and lost; then hunted a fox away by Cover Clouds, Lee Wood, Stoney Wells, Copt Oak, by Pilgrim's, & killed at the Stoney Wells, 0...1.

31st.—Met at the Outwoods, found, came away by Carver's Wood, Burley, and near to Loughbro', through Muckling Wood, Budden, to Bazzel Wood, run theae some time, and went to ground,

April 2d.—Met Sir W. Lowther's hounds at Billesdon Coplow, 13 couple each, did not find, found at Tilton Wood, lost by Skelington Wood directly; found at the Renish, run awhile there, then hunted him away to Loddington, and lost; but we believe he went to ground.

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April 4th.—Met at Oakley Wood, found, run about there a good while, and killed a bitch fox that suckled; then run awhile, but it was such a bad rainy day that we lost and came home.

7th.—Met at Gumley Wood, found at Laughton Earths, and killed a fox, ... 0..1

One went away with no brush, run him hard for an hour, and killed a bitch fox at Gumley Wood, .. 0..1

Found near the Earths and run him by Gumley Wood, Laughton, Mowsley, over part of the Field, back by Laughton, by the Earths to Gumley, run awhile and killed in the Plantation, ... 0..1

10th.—Met at Stockerston Wood, found, went away through the other Wood to Allextion Wood, and back to the Wood, the hounds in a good many parts, we got them together, found in the Gorse by the Steppings, run him about the Park and Common, and killed in the Park.—1 h. 50 m. 0..1

13th.—Met at Holt, tried Drayton Hill and Wood, Easton Park, Steppings, part of the Common, found near Hallick Spinney, came back to the Steppings, and to Marybone, then to the Common and he went to ground; another went away over the Common, through Hallick Spinney, through Stoke, by the end of the Chace, back by Stockerston Woods, and killed at Blaston Earths, ... 0..1

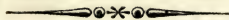
17th.—Met at Bosworth, tried Sutton Ambin, did.

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not find, found at Mr. Dixie's Cover, run there for above an hour; it rained so very fast, and so bad a scent, that we lost him in the Cover.

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 34 Brace.



June 16th.—Killed a fox at George Thornley's Gorse,..... 0..1

August 18th.—Met at Bradgate Park and found in the Rough Hill, run about the Park a good while, and killed, ... 0..1

21st.—Met and tried all over Bradgate Park, did not find, found in Swithland Wood, run him about the Wood and Park, and killed in Thurstaston Field.—Two hours, ... 0..1

Run another about the Wood and Park, and killed in about an hour,..... 0..1

24th.—Met and tried Bradgate Park, did not find, found in Sand Hills or Blake Hays, run about the Park and Blake Hays, Swithland Wood, and lost.

29th.—Met at Easton Park and found, run awhile and stopt, the hounds in a good many parts, found another fox, run very hard in the Park for an hour and killed, ... 0..1

Then run in Holt Wood for an hour and killed, .. 0..1

Sept. 2d.—Met at Budden Wood and found, run some time, hounds in a many parts, and bad scent, so

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we got them together and went to Swithland Wood, did not find, tried the Park, found in Blake Hays, run about the Park and the Hays, and lost.

4th.—Met at Sheet Hedges, did not find, found in Martinshaw, and killed one fox directly,..... 0..1

Hunted an old scent about the Shaw for some time and lost; then found in Steward's Hay, came away by Sheet Hedges, over Bradgate Park, to Blake Hays, back over the Park, through Steward's Hay and the Shaw, and stopt them.

6th.—Met at Budden Wood and found, run some time and a fox went to ground, dug him out and he went to ground again, dug him out and killed him,.. 0..1

Sept. 11th.—Met at Holt Wood, run there for twenty minutes and killed a fox, ... 0..1

Then went to Easton Park and killed a badger.—Then tried the Steppings and Common, and came home, on account of thunder and rain.

13th.—Met at Stockerston Wood, run in the Wood for a long time, and killed two brace of foxes, 2..0

15th.—Met at Allextion Wood, run a fox to ground, dug him out and killed him, ... 0..1

Then found at Stockerston Wood, went away to Allextion Wood, and killed him, ... 0..1

Run another awhile in the Wood and killed him, 0..1

17th.—Met at Tilton Wood, went away to Launde Wood, and killed in one hour and a quarter, ... 0..1

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Then found at the Renish, run him through Tugby Wood, Tilton Wood, and run him to ground near Huson Wood, dug him out and killed him, the hounds were parted, some went to Launde Wood,.. 0..1

Sept. 19th.—Met at Stockerston Wood, did not find, found in Marybone Wood, run awhile and stopt the hounds from going to the Chace, tried over the Common and Steppings, found in the Park, he came away over Medbourn Pasture, by Blaston, Hallaton, and killed at French's Lodge, in 30 m. ... 0..1

21st.—Met at Braunstone found a fox near the Turnpike Road, run him half an hour and killed at the Earths, ... 0..1

Then went to a Hollow, run about Spinneys, and killed him near Mr. Winstanley's.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

24th.—Met at Swithland Wood and found, he went away over the Park, through Blake Hays, over part of the Forest and back to Swithland Wood, and killed, above an hour, ... 0..1

Then found at Starnel's Gorse, came away through Swithland Wood to Budden, run there some time and lost.

Sept. 26th.—Met at Braunstone, did not find, came to Stocking Wood and found, went away by Thurcaston, Bradgate Park, to Swithland Wood, and killed in 40 m. 0..1

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Sept. 72th.—Met at Mr. Packe's, but did not find till we came to Mr. Saville's Cover, run to ground at Stanford, then hunted a fox over the fields towards Leak, and he went to ground, then found another upon Rempston Lings, run him awhile and lost in the Park.

29th.—Met at Steward's Hay, found, run there some time, then came away through Sheet Hedges, by George Hardy's to the Park, and killed.—1 h. and a half, ... 0..1

Then hunted another through Sand Hills near to the Old Wood, back to the Park, and through Blake Hays to the Old Wood side, by Cover Clouds, Lee Wood, to Sand Hills, and killed.—1 h. 4 m.... 0..1

Oct. 1st.—Met at Martinshaw, a fox went away to Ratby Burrows, run there for some time, and a brace went to ground; then found at Whittington Ruff, went away to Burrows, run there and Rings, about there and killed,—1 h. 0..1

4th.—Met at Gumley, found, run about there and Smeeton Hill for some time, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

6th.—Met at Stockerston Wood, did not try there as Lord Sherrard's had been there a day or two before, we found in Easton Park one fox, he came away by Holt, over Medbourn Pasture, by Hallaton Fern and Wood, by Cranoe, over Slawston

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Field, round Slawston Hill, and killed near Medbourn Pasture.—2 hours and a half, exceeding good hunting, ... 0..1

Oct. 8th.—Met at Smeeton Hill, tried the Hill, Gumley Wood Plantation, but did not find, found at Laughton Hills, run a fox 20 minutes, and killed at Gumley Wood, ... 0..1

11th.—Met at Stanford Park, found on the Lings, run two or three foxes about the Lings and Park, and lost; then went to Fox Hill and found two or three foxes, run there 1 hour and a half, and killed, 0..1

13th.—Met at Grooby, tried the Shaw, Whittington Ruff, Steward's Hay, Cover Clouds, found in Holtergolter, run him over the Forest to Gracedieu Park, and lost.

15th.—Met at Rancliff, did not find, found in Bunny Wood, run there awhile, the hounds run a hare, we stopt them and hunted a fox over Leak Hills, to Hell Hole, and lost him.

16th.—Met at Kirkby, found in the Willow Beds, and killed, ... 0..1

One went away to the Moats, back to the Willow Beds, then to the Moats, and killed, ... 0..1

One went away by Newbold, back to near Kirkby, and killed, ... 0..1

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Then hunted a fox awhile and he went to ground, dug him out, turned him up before Lord Wentworth's windows, run him an hour and a half, and lost him in Leicester Forest.

Oct. 18th—Met Loughborough Outwoods, found, run in the Wood awhile, he went away over Beacon Hill, by Charley, over by Whitwick Rocks to White Horse Wood, and back to the Outwoods, the run was 2 hours and a half, we was at check half an hour, he had lain down in a Farm Yard,..... 0..1

20th.—Met at Highfield Spinney, found in the Old Wood, came away by the Spinney, through the Old Wood, Round Hill, to Ranciff, through the Park, through the Old Wood, Bunny Town, to Ranciff, to the Park, and killed in one hour and a half,..... 0..1

22d.—Met at Walton Thorns and found, went away by Alsop's House and Cover, by Mr. Goodere's Earths to Wimeswould, back towards Alsop's Cover, and killed.—1 h. 20 m. 0 1

Then found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, came away by the Earths, by Willoughby, then hunted him to ground at the Earths.

24th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in the Gorse just by, came away by Willoughby, Alsop's Gorse Goodere's Earths, Wimeswould, Alsop's House, he was killed with curs in Willoughby Field, before we came to them; tried Alsop's Gorse, did not find, 0..1

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Oct. 25th.—Met at Costock, found at the Gotham Cover, came away to Fox Hill, and killed in 20 m. 0..1

Another fox went away over Leak Hills, through Bunny Woods, back over the Field and Leak Hills, through Hell Hole, by Fox Hill, Cragg Spinney, to Gotham Wood, about the Moor, to Fox Hill, and back to the Wood.—Three hours and a half, and lost.

27th.—Met at Queniborough Gorse, and found, went away by Scraftoft, through Billesdon Coplow, over Newton Hills, by Tilton, back to Newton Hills, and killed.—1 h. 50 m. 0..1

29th.—Met at Kirkby, tried the Willow Beds, Spinney's Moats, did not find, found in Lindridge Wood, and run him very hard to Ratby Burrows, and killed.—45 m. 0..1

Nov. 1st.—Met at Gumley, found at Smeeton Hill, and killed. 0..1

Then tried the Plantation, found, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Then tried over Laughton Hills and Walton Holt, but did not find.

3d.—Met at Sheepshorns, did not find, found in the Willow Beds, came away by Sheepshorns, and up to Calton Earths, and he went to ground; tried Shankton Holt, found and killed, ... 0..1

Tried Bromley's Furze, Noseley Woods, Goadby Gorse, found in Keythorp Spinney and killed; then tried all the other Woods, but did not find, ... 0..1

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Nov. 5th.—Met at Whetstone Gorse and found, came away by Wistow to Glenn, and lost, 1 h. 20 m. tried Stretton Spinneys, Ayleston Gorse, but did not find.

7th.—Met at Red Hill, and found in the Willow Bed at Thrumpton, came away through the Wood, Gotham Wood, Fox Hill, Hell Hole, to Fox Hill, and Hell Hole, over part of Gotham Hill, run to ground in the Field, dug him out, found in Clifton Gardens, run him to ground just by ditto, dug him out, turned them both up, first fox we run 1 h. 10 m. second, $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour.

9th.—Met at Wartnaby, found at Holwell Mouth, went away through Piper Hole, and about there, for 1 h. 10 m. and killed at the top of Piper Hole, ... 0..1

Then came and tried Holwell Mouth, Stone Pits, did not find.

12th.—Met at Rancilff, did not find, tried Deb-dale, Blackcliff, Plumtree Gorse, did not find; found on the Wolds, came away over Keyworth Field and by the Gorse, through Bunny Wood, Decoy and Park, through Rancilff, back by Bunny, and through the New Wood, Costock Lings, by Mr. Goodere's Cover and Earths, by Alsop's Gorse and House, near to Six Hills, by Dalby, back over Willoughby Field, and to Wysall Field, and lost;—above five hours.

14th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, found, went away by Shoby Lane, Grimston, and lost; then

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found in Saxelby Gorse, run awhile, and went away to the Spinney and back to the Gorse, then went away through Dalby Wood on the Vale, and back to the Gorse, and killed.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

16th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found at Hickling Gorse, went away by Broughton, Wartnaby, Holwell, Melton Spinney, and killed him between Melton and Croxton Park, run very hard, ... 0..1

19th.—Met at Stanford, tried the Bogg and Spinneys, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away by Hoton Hill, Stanford, and back to the Park, and lost, bad scent; then found in some Turnips, and lost in the Park.

November 21st.—Met at Brooksby, found one in Frisby Gorse, and lost directly; then found in Haines's Gorse, went away through Ashby Pasture, Lord Richard's Cover, by Kirkby, and lost him by Kent's Thorns.

23d.—Met at Asfordby, found in the New Cover of Mr. Smith's, and killed directly,.... 0..1

Found in Kent's Thorns, run by Welby, and back to the 'Thorns, and killed him,..... 0..1

Then tried Wartnaby Gorse, and all on the Hills, found in Dalby Wood, run to Saxelby Gorse, and stopt the hounds.

24th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, went away over the Park, Sheet Hedges, Steward's Hay,

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back by the Kennel, over the Park, through Sand Hills, back over the Park, and back over part of the Park, and run him to ground; dug out four foxes, and killed, ... 0 .1

25th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away by Baggrave, Spinney's, Newton, Billesdon Coplow, and by Billesdon Town, to Skeffington, and killed, 1 h. 5 m. 0..1

28th.—Met at Cossington Gorse, did not find, found in Thrussington Wolds, went away by Walton Thorns, back to Thrussington Wolds, and lost near Ragdale, then came back to the Wolds, a fox went away directly to Walton Thorns, by Six Hills, and back over the Wolds, by Seagrave, to Walton Town, and killed.—1 h..... 0..1

30th.—Met at Red Hill, did not find, found in Mr. Chamberlain's Cover, came away to Fox Hill in 15 minutes, and stopt the hounds; tried Mr. Wilmoughby's Cover, did not find, found in Rempston Lings, went away by Hoton Hill, Cotes, Stanford, to the Parks and Hoton, by Cotes Earths, Cotes, and he went to ground in a drain.

Dec. 1st.—Met at Swithland Wood, run nearly an hour in the Wood, we lost, or he went to ground; then found in Sand Hills, went away through Lee Wood, through Cover Clouds, Steward's Hay, Lady Hay, Holtergelter, back to Cover Clouds, by Markfield, Pilgrim's Wood, Stoney Wells, Copt Oak,

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through Bardon Hill, over the Forest by Five Tree Hill, and killed at Beacon Hill, ... 0..1

Dec. 3d.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Roberts's Cover, went away by Keyworth, Raneliff, Blackcliff, Debdale, over by Normanton, by Widmerpool Gorse, by Hickling, Clawson, Piper Hole, Scaldwell, to Melton Spinney, & killed, 0..1

John Raven and I got a fall, came home.

5th.—Met at Costock, tried the Lings, Bunny New Wood, and Gorse below, the Old Wood, Round Hill, did not find; so bad a day they came home, I was not out.

7th.—Met at Cotes Turnpike, tried some turnips, and Mare Hill Spinney, about Mr. Packe's, Jones's Gorse, and found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, lost at the Earths; then hunted a fox to Stanford Park, and lost him.

8th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, came to Budden Wood, and run to ground, then found at Swithland Wood, went away over Beacon Hill, and over the Hill to Blake Hays, Lee Wood, Cover Clouds, Steward's Hay, Newton, John's Lees, Blake Hays, Sand Hills, and lost.

10th.—Met at Queniborough, tried the Gorse, found at Berry Clift, went away to near Quenby, they over-rode the hounds, then hunted him awhile after, but could do no good with scent; then found

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at the Coplow, hunted him over the Hills, lost near Huson Wood;—a very bad scent, and a long way behind the fox.

12th.—Met at Whetstone Gorse and found, went away by Wistow, Calton, and the Earths, then over the Langton Field, to Great Bowden, and killed.—

I was not out, ... 0..1

15th.—Met at Loughborough Outwoods, & found, came away through Muckling and Budden Woods, over the Plain to Thurstaston, towards Stocking Wood, by the Machine, Rothley House, Mountsorel, through Budden Wood, to Swithland Wood, and killed at the Slate Pits, 3 h. 30 m. 0..1

17th.—Met at Costock, tried Highfield Spinney, Round Hill, Keyworth Pasture, Debdale, Plumtree, Blackcliff, did not find, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, went away over Wilford Hill, by Holme Pierrepont, and run to ground at Malkin Hills.

20th.—Met at Stanford, found at Mr. Saville's Cover, went away over Leak Hills, to Hell Hole, back over the Hill by Costock Leas, Bunny Woods, Wysall Gorse, Wimeswold, Hoton, Prestwold, Burton, over Walton Field, by Barrow, almost to Quebec House, back to the left hand, and killed near Seagrave Lane.—4 h. 40 m..... 0..1

22d.—Met at Alsop's House, it rained, so we went to Master, at Mr. Saville's, & found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, came away by Rempston, through Stanford

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Park, to Hoton, then hunted him over to Rempston, and lost.

Dec. 24th.—Was to have Met at Brooksby, but we could not hunt on account of so hard a frost.

26th.—Met at Mr. Hugo's Gorse, tried all the Spinneys, and Wilmot's Gorse, did not find, came home it snow'd so very fast.

27th.—Met at Grooby, found in Steward's Hay, run about the Woods, Sand Hills, and killed in Steward's Hay, ... 0..1

29th.—Met at Bardon Hill, found, came away to Whitwick Rocks, hunted up to him there, then went back through Bardon Hill, and run him to ground at Hugglescote.

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Jan. 9th.—Met at Oakley Wood, found two or three foxes directly; run nearly an hour in the Wood, then went away by Whatton, over Diseworth Field, through the White Woods, to Breedon Clouds, by Langley Spinneys, and Diseworth, by Donnington Park to the Town, and killed.—3 h. 20 m. 0..1

12th.—Met at Oakley Wood, and found, hounds parted, went away, some over the Forest, and lost the fox; and some went away for Dishley, and back by Hathern. I stopt the hounds, got them together, found in the Wood, and run about in the Woods, a bad scent for two hours and a half, but killed, ... 0..1

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Jan. 15th.—Met at Bunny, found in the Gardens, run about the Park, Ranciff, the Woods, Decoy, and he went to ground in Bunny Town, caught one without a brush, turned him up at the New Wood, and killed there, ... 0..1

17th.—Met at Queniborough, found at Berry Clift, went away through Barkby Holt, by Quenby, and lost; then found in the Coplow, run there awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

19th.—Met at Alsop's House and found in the Old Cover, went away by Mr. Goodere's Cover, to Hell Hole, over part of Gotham Moor, over Leak Hills, and Field, by Wysall, Keyworth, Kinoulton, Hickling, by Nether Broughton, Holwell, Scalford, to Goadby Park, and killed, ... 0..1

The hounds run very hard for two hours and a half, *all the horses being tired except MR. DEVERILL'S GREY MARE, GAYLASS!!!*

21st.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, and found in Hickling Cover on the Hill Side, went away and run him to ground in a Drain at Grimston, in half an hour; then found at Saxelby Gorse, run to ground at the Stone Pits; then hit of a fox on the Hill by Holwell, Scalford, Clawson Thorns and Town, by Hickling, over the Hill by the Covers, then down to Hickling Town, and killed.—2 h. 5m. 0..1

23d.—Met at Red Hill, did not find, found at Gotham, went away very hard to Mr. Saville's Cover,

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and run to ground in half an hour; found another fox there, went away by Cotes, Mare Hill Spinney, Burton, Prestwold, Hoton, Stanford Park, airing about there, then over by Cotes, Stanford, Loughborough Meadows and Town, and killed between Loughborough and Needless Inn.—1 h. 38 m. 0..1

Jan. 25th.—Met at Walton Thorns, found, and killed a bitch fox directly,..... 0..1

Then found at Thrussington Wolds, went away by Ragdale and Hoby, run to ground at Brooksby, then found at Shoby Scholds, went away by Shoby, Saxelby, by the Stone Pits, through Holwell Mouth, Clawson Thorns, by Piper Hole, Eastwell, Eaton, Croxton Wind Mill, and Lings, by Knipton, by BELVOIR CASTLE, back over the Field to Croxton Park, and there they stopt the hounds and lay there all night, Mr. Tired Tom Tit, and I lay at Wartnaby, all the horses being tired.

28th.—Met at Whetstone Gorse and found, went away by Willoughby, Shearsby, and lost, tried Laughton Hills, a fox went away, run him about Gumley and Laughton Hills, one hour and killed,.. 0..1

30th.—Met at Alsop's House, tried both the Covers, did not find, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, came away to Alsop's House, and went to ground; then tried Keyworth Pasture and Ranciff, Bunny Gardens, did not find, found on Costock Leas, went away through the Old Wood, by Mr. Goodere's Co-

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ver and Earths, by Wimeswould, Hoton, Mare Hill Spinney, and lost near Walton Field.

Feb. 1st.—Met at Asfordby, found in Kent's Thorns, run about there for some time, and lost; found in Saxelby Gorse, and run awhile, caught in Grimstone Town, did not kill him, turned him out, Mr. and I was not out.

4th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Haines's Gorse, run him awhile and then hunted him to ground at Brooksby, bolted him, run him to ground at Ranksborough, I was not out.

6th.—Met at Cotes, found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, and killed a bitch fox, ... 0..1

Then tried the Old Wood, Costock Leas, on the Hills, Mr. Willoughby's Cover, and found in Fox Hill, went away through Hell Hole, to Stanford Park, and stopt the hounds.

8th.—Met at Bunny, found in Rancilff, went away by Bradmore, Bunny, and Park, Round Hill, Rancilff, to Bradmore, and caught a bitch fox, turned her out that night.

9th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, went away over Bradgate Park, Sand Hills, through Steward's Hay, Martinshaw, back through Steward's Hay, and killed in the Park.—1 h. 30 m. 0..1

11th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Robert's Cover, went away by Owthorpe to Langar,

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over the Vale to BELVOIR, run to ground at Braunston; the fox was found dead at the Earth next morning.

February 13th.—Met at Debdale, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, went away by Blackcliff, over the Wolds to Ratcliff-on-Trent, and killed, ... 0..1

15th.—Met at Red Hill, found in the Gotham Cover, went away by Fox Hill, Hell Hole, Stanford Park, back by Leak and Fox Hill, by Gotham Cover, Red Hill, Thrumpton, by Gotham Wind Mill, to Clifton Gardens, and killed.—2 h. 20 m. 0..1

18th.—Met at Syston, found at Barkby Holt, run there awhile; then hunted a fox away over Baggrave Earths, by Newton, and lost on the Hills; then found in the Coplow, run in the Cover 35 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

20th.—Met at Wartnaby, found in Saxelby Gorse, went away by Dalby Wood, over by Broughton, by Hickling to Clawson, and caught a bitch fox in a house, she was turned out at night; then found by Holwell Mouth, went away by Piper Hole and Goadby, stopt the hounds in a Cover near Croxton Park.

22d.—Met at Ruddington, tried Wilford Hill, Clifton Gardens, and found in the Gotham Cover, run to ground at Red Hill, tried Mr. Chamberlain's Cover, did not find, came home.

25th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Roberts's Cover, and killed a bitch fox directly, ... 0..1

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Feb. 25th.—Another went away over to Hickling, Hill, then back by Kinoulton to the Wood, and killed a dog fox.—50 m. 0..1

Then found in the Thick Hedge, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in the Gorse, run to ground in the Earths.

27th.—Met at Kirkby, did not find, found in Stretch Nook, run to ground at Braunston; tried Stocking Wood, did not find.

March 1st.—Met at Costock, found on Costock, went away through the Old Wood, Round Hill, Rancilff, by Bradmore and Decoy, Leak Hills, Fox Hill, Hell Hole, and run to ground at Fox Hill, Earths.

4th.—Met at Cossington Cover, did not find, tried Queniborough Gorse, Barkby Holt, Baggrave Spinneys, found in Billesdon Coplow, went away towards Scraftoft, back to Coplow, over Newton, Hills, by Newton, and back to the Coplow, and lost.

6th.—Met at Blackcliff, found upon the Wolds, lost at Colston Basset, tried over there, found no more.

8th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, tried all the Hickling Covers, Lord Roberts's Cover, Keyworth Pasture, Round Hill, Bunny Wood, Costock Leas, did not find; a blank day.

11th.—Met at Swithland Wood, and found, went

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away by Woodhouse Eaves, run to ground at Beacon Hill, then found in Sand Hills, went away over the Park, Swithland Wood, to Newtown, to the Old Wood, and back to Newtown, and killed, ... 0..1

March 13th.—Met at Loughborough Outwoods, found on the side of Garrendon Park, went away to Oakley Wood, back by Long Watton, by Dishley, over by Carver's Wood, through the Outwoods, Swithland Wood, over to Sand Hills, back to Swithland Wood, then over to Bradgate Park, and killed. —2 hours, ... 0..1

15th.—Met at Sheet Hedges, and found, went through Steward's Hay, Lee Wood, Bardon Hill, back by Stanton, Martinshaw, Steward's Hay, over Bradgate Park, through Swithland Wood, over by Beacon, and lost.—2 h. 20 m.

18th.—Met at Swithland Wood, did not try it, found by Blake Hays, went through them, back over the Park by George Hardy's, to Sheet Hedges and Steward's Hay, and he went to ground; hunted another to ground there, got him out, run awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

Hunted a cold scent towards Martinshaw and lost.

20th.—Met at Grooby, found in Whittington Ruff, went away to Steward's Hay, run to ground, then tried the Hay, Cover Clouds, Lee Wood, found near Pilgrim's Wood, went away by Shaw Lane, Cover Clouds, Steward's Hay, Sand Hills, and killed by Lee Wood side, a bitch fox with two cubs..... 0..1

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March 22d.—Met at White Horse Wood, tried it and Gracedieu Park, the Rocks, found in Bardon Hill, came away over the Rocks, Gracedieu Park, Oakley Wood, Donnington Park, and run to ground at Gorsety Leas.

25th.—Met at Grooby, found in Steward's Hay, went away through Martinshaw, Whittington Ruff, back to Steward's Hay, and lost by Markfield, tried awhile, did not find.

27th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run there some time, one went to ground, another went away to Muckling Wood, came back to Budden Wood, and killed, ... 0..1

30th.—Met at Bazzel Wood, found at Swithland Wood, run to ground in the Park; then found in Steward's Hay, went away by Markfield, Bagworth Field, back by Whittington Ruff, stopt the hounds coming back to Steward's Hay, as there was a mad dog.

April 1st.—Was to have hunted at Gumley, but could not, on account of snow.

6th.—Met at Gumley, found at Laughton Hills, hunted a fox some time and lost near Walton Holt, then came and found in Gumley Plantation, run to ground at Wistow, in 50 minutes. I was not at Bowden Hill that time.

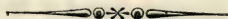
9th.—Met at Bosworth, found in Sutton Ambin,

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lost him near Drayton and Atherstone; then found at Mr. Dixie's Cover, went away through the Ambin and Stapleton Ruff, Kirkby Wood, and killed at the Moats, in one hour, ... 0..1

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 41 Brace, 1 Fox.



July 16th.—Killed a fox at Gerrard's Gorse, .. 0..1

Aug. 16th.—Met at Martinshaw, found, and killed a fox directly, ... 0..1

Then found in Steward's Hay, but we stopt the hounds as we thought the young hounds were running a hare.

19th.—Met at Sand Hills, found, and killed directly, ... 0..1

One came away to the Park, and lost, went back and found another, run there awhile and killed him, 0..1

Then came and found in Swithland Wood, run very hard there for awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

21st.—Met at Bradgate Park, and found, and killed one, and run two to ground, ... 0..1

24th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, and run very hard and killed.—1 h. 0..1

Went to Bowden Inn on Monday.

28th.—Met at Easton Park, and found, run a good while there, and he went away to Holt Wood, and we killed him, ... 0..1

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Aug. 28th.—Then found another in the Park, and killed, ... 0..1

Then hunted another some time, and lost.

31st.—Met at Stockerston Wood, found, & killed, 0..1

Then killed one in the other Wood, ... 0..1

Went away with one to the other Wood, run to ground, 3 in the hole, killed 2, ... 1..0

Then stopt the hounds from going away with another to Chase.

Sept. 2d.—Met at Allextan Wood, and found, run there awhile, and lost, then came and found at Bradley Wood, went away through the Park, I stopt the hounds going to the Chase, came back to Drayton Wood, and found, went away to Blaston, and run to ground, came back with another fox from Blaston to Drayton Wood, run there awhile, went away to Blaston, to ground.

5th.—Met at Braunstone, run about there and the Spinney's, and killed, ... 0..1

7th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run one to ground and lost another, found another, and run him very hard for 40 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

9th.—Met at Kirby, found, run him awhile hard and he went to ground, dug him out, and killed, found no more, ... 0..1

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11th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run very hard and he went to ground, dug him out and killed, 0..1

Tried Swithland Wood, found, went away to the Park, and lost, so hot and dry ; found another in Swithland Wood, lost him in the Park.

14th.—Met at Lee Wood, found, run about there and the Old Wood, and run one to ground, some hounds went away to Stockerston Wood, got most of the hounds together, and run a fox through Sheet Hedges, and killed at the Ling Hill, ... 0..1

Sept. 25th.—Then tried the Pooltail, found in Sheet Hedges, went away through Steward's Hay, to Lee Wood, back through Steward's Hay, through Sheet Hedges, over by Ansty, and lost.

27th.—Met at Swithland Wood and found, went away through the Outwoods, and lost at Muckling Wood, the hounds parted, then found at Swithland Wood again, went away to the Park, and lost, as there was Beagles running rabbits ; then found in a bog near Sand Hills, and killed directly, ... 0..1

One went away through Newtown, Bradgate Park, and back over the Park, and back again, but Mr. Devereaux hollowed back, and we lost the fox.

Then went to a Hollow in the Park, and hunted a fox through Sand Hills, Lee Wood, by Pilgrims', almost to Shaw Lane, back through John's Leas and Sand Hills, through the Park, and back through

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Sand Hills, through Newtown, then over the Park by the Kennel, to the Rough Hill, and killed.—

2 h. 50 m. 0..1

30th.—Met at Kirkby, tried the Spinneys and Moats, Lindridge Wood, Ratby Burrows, Whittington Ruffs, and did not find, blank day.

Oct. 3d.—Met at Bardon Hill, and found, went away through Holtergolter, over to Bradgate Park, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found by Blakehays, went away through Bradgate Park and back over the Park, through Sand Hills, then over the Park, almost to Ansty, back, and killed at Higget's Gate,..... 0..1

5th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run about the Wood for some time, and killed a brace of foxes, 1..0

Then found at Cover Wood, run a fox awhile and lost; then tried Starnel's Gorse, did not find; found in Swithland Wood, went away through Hunger Hill, down the Wellsons to Budden Wood, and he went to ground.

7th.—Met at Bunny, found in Rancliff, went away by the Round Hill, and stopt the hounds from going into the Park; tried part of Costock Leas, Hell Hole, and found in Fox Hill, run about there and Hell Hole for one hour and a half, and killed at Hell Hole,.... 0..1

9th.—Met at Oakley Wood and found, run very hard in the Woods for 35 m. and killed,..... 0..1

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Then found in the furthestmost Wood, and run hard in both Woods, and killed.—50 m..... 0..1

11th.—Met at Budden Wood, and found, the hounds run very hard for about 15 minutes, he went to ground, and we dug him out and killed at place, 0..1

Then tried Muckling Wood, did not find found in the Outwoods, went away over the Forest to Garrendon Park, back through Carver's Wood, to the Outwoods, run there some time, and he went to ground, run him three quarters of an hour.

14th.—Met at Gracedieu Park, did not find; found on Whitwick Rock, went away over the Forest near to the Outwood, but turned to the left over by Garrendon Park, but the hounds parted on the Forest, some of the hounds went back to Whitwick Rock, and others to Oakley Wood, and killed there a fox, ... 0..1

Those that went back to Whitwick Rock, Joseph Harrison stopt.

16th.—Met at Bardon Hill, and found, run about the Hill and Woods, and run to ground, then found in the Gorse near Pilgrim's, went away through the Lea Woods to Bradgate Park, and lost.

18th.—Met at Bosworth, found in Sutton Ambin, run there 40 minutes, and killed,..... 0..1

Then found at Mr. Dixie's Cover, went away over the park by Newbold, over Bagworth Heath, by Thornton, through the Ruffs, hunted up to him at

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Whittington Ruff, went away to Martinshaw, and he went to ground.—2 hours.

19th.—Went to Stanford Park, and found 3 or 4 foxes, run awhile and went to ground; then went to Mr. Goodere's Cover, found 5 or 6 foxes, hunted one away to the Earths, and he went to ground.

21st.—Went to Bowdon Inn.

22d.—Met at Easton Park, and found, run very hard about the Park and Stockerston Wood for one hour and a half, and killed there,..... 0..1

Then found in the Gorse by Easton Common, run about the Park and Common, by Blaston Earths, and back to the Park, and he went to ground, dug him out and killed,—one hour and a half, ... 0..1

Bolted another out of the same place, run him about the Park and Common, for one hour and a half, and killed, ... 0..1

He went to ground at the same place, dug him out.

24th.—Met at Laughton Hills, tried all the Hills, did not find; found at the Gorse by Gumley Wood, run 20 m. and killed in the Plantation, ... 0..1

Tried Smeeton Hill, found in a Spinney near Saddington, run very hard to Gumley Plantation, 30 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

26th.—Met at Sheepshorns, tried it and the Willow Beds, Shankton Holt, Bromley's Firs, Noseley Wood, Goadby Gorse, Keythorp Spinney, Fallow

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Closes, Glooston Wood, and did not find; found 3 or 4 foxes in Stanton Wood, one went away to the Cordle, I stopt the hounds at Stanton, another fox went away by Noseley, Goadby, and back to Stanton Wood, we changed our fox there, and he went away through Noseley Wood, Rolleston Wood and Town, through New Inn Spinneys, Shankton Holt, by Bromley's Firs, down to the Brook, back through Noseley Wood, to Rollston Wood, hunted up to him there, run him very hard to Noseley Wood, the hounds came to a check, so we came home, as it was so dark, we was running 3 h. and 20 m.

28th.—Met at Medbourn Pasture, found in the Gorse directly, went away through Holt Wood, through Easton Park, hounds divided, one went away through Stockerston Wood, back to the Park, got the hounds together, run in the Park awhile, went away through Drayton Wood to Blaston, and he went to ground, one hour and a half, tried Bradley Wood, Common, Steppings and Park, Holt Wood, Drayton Hill, did not find any more, came home.

30th.—Met at Allextion Wood, found, went away by Blaston, Easton Park, through the Chase to Brook, and lost, hounds running 3 h. 30 m.

Nov. 1st.—Met at Langton Cordle, found, went away by Cranoe, Glooston Wood, to Stanton Wood, back over Fallow Closes, Hallaton, Blaston, to Easton Park, and he went to ground, dug him out and killed.—1 h. 20m. 0..1

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Nov. 4th.—Met at Rempston, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, run to Thorp Earths, and killed, 0..1

5th.—Met at Rempstone, found at Mr. Gooderes Cover, stopt the hounds; found at Mr. Saville's Cover, found, run about there, the Park, &c. and lost.

7th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, and found, went away by Shoby Scholds and Lane, back to the Scholds, a fox was coming to the Cover, we laid the hounds on him, run him about Thrussington Wolds, and the Scholds for about 4 hours, and lost in Thrussington Wolds.

9th.—Met at Cotes, tried some Turnips and Willow Beds, did not find, went away over to Gotham Cover before we tried any more, found in the Cover, went away through Fox Hill, Hell Hole, back through Fox Hill, by Gotham Cover, to Red Hill, and killed a fox with a white ring round his neck, and three white pods.—1 h..... 0..1

11th.—Met at Whetston Gorse, and found, went away by Pipton, had some very cold hunting, and hunted up to him in a Spinney near Shearsby, and killed, 1 hour and a half, then found in Shearsby Gorse, went away by Laughton to Gumley Plantation, and killed.—40 m. 0..1

13th.—Met at Dalby Wood, found in Saxelby Gorse, went away through Holwell Mouth, near to Scalford, through Piper Hole, then on the Hills,

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and then down in the Vale, to Stathern Town, and killed.—1 h. 20 m.—I was hurt that day, ... 0..1

Nov. 15th.—Met at Bunny Wood, found in the Gardens, run about the Park and Ranciliff, and killed there.—20 m..... 0..1

Then tried Debdale, Blackcliff, found on the Wolds, run about there over by Kinoulton, back by Owthorp, and lost in the Fosse, the hounds running above 2 h.

18th.—Met at Red Hill, tried there and Thump-ton Clump and Gorse on Gotham Hill, did not find, found at Clifton Gardens, and killed in 15 m. 0..1

Another went away over Wilford Hill, came back by the Town, and killed by Clifton Walk.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

20th.—Met at Queniborough, did not find, found at Frisby Gorse, went away by Gaddesby, by Barkby Holt, Newton, and lost by Tilton Town.

22d.—Met at Widmerpool, found in Ld. Robert's Cover, went away by Lodge, in Wolds House, Kinoulton Wood, over Hickling Hill by Broughton, to Clawson Thorns, to ground.—1 h.

23d.—Met at Starnel's Gorse, found in Swithland Wood, run about there and the Park, and he went to ground.

25th.—Met at Aylestone, tried the Gorse, did not find, found at Whetston Gorse, run about there

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for some time, and he went to ground; three hounds
went away with a fox to Cosby, and killed, ... 0..1

Tried the rest of the Covers, and came home.

Nov. 27th.—Met at Alsop's House, found in the
Old Cover, went away by Mr. Goodere's Cover,
over Rempston Lings, Leak Field, through Fox
Hill, back through East Leak, by Normanton, over
the Field through Hell Hole, by Mr. Willoughby's
Cover, and killed in Fox hill, 2 hours & 3 quarters, 0..1

29th.—Met at Ranciff, found in Mr. Boothby's
Cover, went away over Wilford Hill, by Clifton
Gardens, and killed at Barton.—2 hours.—I was
not out, ... 0..1

Dec. 2d.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away
by Croxton, Gaddesby, by Frisby Gorse, by Brooks-
by, back by the Spinneys, and almost to Frisby,
and killed.—55 m..... 0..1

4th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's
Cover, went away through the Park by Hoton,
Wimeswould, Wysall, High Field Spinney, Bunny
Wood and Park to Ranciff, very good hunting;
then got up to a fox, went away very hard by Key-
worth, by Widmerpool Barn, by Dalby, and Wood,
Saxelby Gorse, and stopt the hounds by Wartnaby,
3 hours and 40 minutes.

6th.—Met at Walton Thorns, did not find, found

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at Thrussington Wolds, went away by Shoby Scholds, and Lane, Saxelby, Sysonby, Kirby, by Burton, near to Lord Harborough's, back by Burton to the Drains, and went to ground.—2 h. 3 m.

Dec. 9th.—Met at Brooksby, tried Frisby Gorses, but found in Haines's Gorse, went away through Ashby Pasture to Kirby, and believe went to ground; another was hollowed at the Navigation, went away with him by Sysonby, to Melton Spinney, and killed, the hounds running from first to there, 1 hour, ... 0 1

11th.—Met at Rempston, tried Mr. Saville's Cover, did not find, tried Hell Hole, Fox Hill, and found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went away through Fox hill, Hell Hole, back to Fox Hill, run there awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

13th.—Met at Asfordby, tried the new Cover, Kent's Thorns, Wartnaby Gorse, Stone Pits, and found in Saxelby Gorse, run a ring or two about there, then went away down the hill by Nether Broughton, down to the Smite, and killed, ... 0..1

16th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found at Hickling Gorse, went away by Widmerpool Barn, over to the Stone Pits, run to ground in Broughton Liberty, dug him out and let him go; then found in Dalby Wood, run him about there, Saxelby Gorse, and killed in Shoby Lane. 0..1

18th.—Met at Rempston, tried Mr. Goodere's Cover, did not find, found on Costock Lees, run

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about the Leak Hill, and lost on the Lings; tried on the Hills, Hell Hole, but did not find.

Dec. 20th.—Met at Barkby Holt, and found, went away to the Coplow, had 4 or 5 foxes there, one went away by Keyham, Scraftoft Spinneys, by Stoughton, and stopt the hounds at Aylestone Gorse, 5 hours.

23d.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Roberts's Cover, went away over Keyworth Field and Pasture, through Ranceliff, by Blackcliff, near to Adwalton, by Wilford Hill and Town, back by Ruddington and Wilford Hill and Town, back to Ruddington, and killed.—2 h. 3 m. 0..1

26th.—Met at Mr. Boothby's Cover, and found, went away between Ruddington and Wilford Hill to the Town, and he went to ground, bolted him, went straight away to Malkin Hill, in 32 minutes, and went to ground.

28th.—Met at the Guide Post near Thrussington, tried the Cover, but did not find, found at Thrussington Wold, went away and lost directly, then tried the Cover again, and Shoby Scholds, but did not find; found in Saxelby Gorse, run there for 20 minutes and killed,..... 0..1

Tried Dalby Wood, hit of a drag, but did no good with it, so we came home.

Dec. 31st.—Met at Billesdon Coplow, found, run there for an hour, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

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Then went away by Tilton, Halstead, near Burrow, by Thorp, Ashby Pasture, to Frisby, and lost, two hours and a half.

Rested at Bowdon Inn till January 11th, then came home.

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Jan. 20th.—Met at Budden Wood, found just by the Wood on some Wheat, went over Mountsorrel Hill, by Swithland, through the Wood, to the Park, and he went to ground, bolted him and run him 15 minutes, and killed at the Slate Pits in the Water, and he sunk; first run one hour and a quarter, we could not hunt before then, the hounds being ill. . . 0..1

22d.—Met at Cotes Turnpike, tried all about there and Stanford Bog, but we found at Mr. Saville's Cover, run about the Park and Lings for two hours, and killed, ... 0..1

24th.—Met at Alsop's House, found in the old Cover, went away by Thorp Earths, Mr. Goodere's Cover, run him to ground in a drain between Costock and Rempston; then found on Costock Lees, went away by the Town to Mr. Saville's Cover, run there some time, went away through the Park, and lost at the Long Spinney.

On Monday we were to have hunted at Widmerpool, but could not on account of frost and snow.

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Feb. 1st.—Met at Rempston, found in the Bog, went away by the Town, almost to Costock, back to Stanford Park, and killed, ... 0..1

Found on the Ling, run **about** there for 3 quarters of an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then tried Hell **Hole**, found in Fox Hill, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Hunted another to Hell Hole and back, and stopt the hounds; then found beyond Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went away through Gotham Cover, Thrump-ton Wood, back by the Town, through Mr. Cham-berlain's Cover, almost to the Wind Mill, back over the Field, through the Wood and Cover, to Fox Hill Earths, and he went to ground.—1 h. 25 m.

3d.—Met at Bunny, tried the Park and Rancliff, did not find, went to a hollow by Bunny Park, went over the Park by Bradmore, Ruddington, to Wilford Hill, cold hunting, hunted up to him in some turnips, went away over the Hill, through Mr. Boothby's Cover to Clifton Gardens, run there awhile, went away by the Long Walk, back over the fields by Glapton Wood, almost to Barton; coming back to Clifton we stopt the hounds, as some of them had been in fits.

5th.—Met at Barkby Holt, and found, went away by Croxton, Barsby, Ashby, to Brooksby, by Coal Pit Leas, through Thrussington Wolds, on by the side of the Fosse, almost to Widmerpool Barn, back by old Dalby, over Broughton, and lost on Hickling Hill, above 3 hours.

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Feb. 8th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn, found in Lord Roberts's Cover, went away over Hickling Hill, by Over Broughton, over Wartnaby Hill, to Saxelby Gorse, run there some time, then went away almost to Wartnaby, near to Kent's Thorns, by Holwell Mouth, back by Over Broughton, Willoughby, Alsop's Gorse, by Thorpe Earths, to Wimeswould, and killed.—2 h. 40 m.—Most of the Horses being tired,..... 0..1

10th.—Met at Alsop's House, tried the New and Old Cover, & Mr. Goodere's Cover, Costock Leas, New Wood, and Gorse, below the Old Wood, Round Hill, Keyworth Pasture, and never found, blank day.

14th.—Met at Red Hill, tried there, and Mr. Chamberlain's Cover, did not find, found in Gotham Cover, run there 15 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Found at Mr. Willoughby's Cover, run to Fox Hill Earths, and killed, ... 0..1

Then tried Fox Hill, Hell Hole, Leak Bog, but found at Mr. Saville's Cover, went away through Stanford Park, Stanford Earths, back to the Cover, and stopt the hounds; three quarters of an hour hard hunting.

15th.—Met at Bunny, tried the Gardens, Ranciff, Debdale, Hoe Hill, found in a little Cover on the Wolds, went away over the Wolds, Owthorp Earths, down in Cropwell Fields, the hounds parted, and we lost the fox; tried over the Wolds, and never found.

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Feb. 17th.—Met at Widmerpool, found on Hickling Hill, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Kinoulton Gorse, went away by Owthorp Earths, by Cotgrave, back by Clipston, over the Wolds, and lost at a Spinney on the Wolds, did not find any more.

19th.—Met at Walton Thorns, did not find, found at Thrussington Wolds, run about there for some time, went away by Alsop's House, over the Field to Cross's House, and lost; tried Dalby Wood, did not find.

21st.—Met at Brooksby, found in Frisby Gorse, came away to Brooksby, then over by Dalby, Burrow Hill, and lost.

24th.—Met at Costock, found on the Lings, went away to Stanford Park, and killed, ... 0..1

Run another for some time, and killed, ... 0..1

27th.—Met at Whetston Gorse, and found, went away by Blaby, Enderby, by Stretch Nook, back near to Croft Hill, by Narborough, Whetston Town, and Blaby, and killed at Blaby Lodge.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

March 1st.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away by Baggrave Earths, by Newton, near to Billesdon Coplow, back by Keyham, over to Barkby Holt, run there some time, and killed a dog fox, .. 0..1

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March 3d.—Met at Widmerpool, found, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Another went away by Kinoulton Wood, Owthorp Earths, by Cropwell down, to near Dovecote Nook, and lost.

5th.—Met at Brooksby, found at Haines's Gorse, run about the Pasture, Lord Richards's Cover, for some time, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

7th.—Met at Syston, found at Berry Clift, went away by Gaddesby, to Brooksby, through Ashby Pasture, Thorp Thrustles, round near to Dalby, back to Haines's Gorse, and killed in the Pasture, 1 hour and 5 minutes, ... 0..1

11th.—Met at Langton Cordle, found, went away by Cranoe, Hallaton Wood, over to Highfield Earth, through Skeffington Wood, to Laund Wood, and killed.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

I was left at Quorn with the young hounds.

13th.—Met at Sheepshorns, found at Shankton Holt, run for half an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then tried Stanton Wood, but found at Glooston Wood, went away by Shankton Holt, Carlton Earths, to Nether Kibworth, and killed, ... 0..1

15th.—Met at Marson Wood, found at Clipson, Twantry, run hard for half an hour, and lost at Oxendon; then found at Marson Wood, went away to Laughton Hills, and killed.—50 m. 0..1

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March. 17.—Met at Langton Cordle, found, run there for about half an hour and killed a bitch fox, 0..1

Then found in a Gorse by Medbourn Pasture, went away through Easton Park to Holt, and killed, 0..1

Then found at the Common near Hallick Spinney, run about there and the Park for an hour and killed, 0..1

20th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, went away over the Park, through Steward's Hay, by Markfield, almost to Thornton Ruffs, back to Thornton Town, 50 minutes, and killed,..... 0..1

22d.—Met at Oakley Wood, found, run there some time, went away by Whatton, & killed at the Brook, three quarters of an hour,..... 0..1

Then found at Gracedieu Park, went away through Bardon Hill, by Markfield, through Steward's Hay, over part of Bradgate Park, and run to ground in the Park.—1 h. 7 m.

24th.—Met at Grooby Hill, found in Martinshaw, run there awhile, went away by Ratby, Grooby, through Sheet Hedges, over Bradgate Park, through Swithland Wood, to Budden Wood, and he went to ground.

26th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run there some time, two foxes went to ground, then went and found in Crow Wood, went through Swithland Wood,

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to Bradgate Park side, back over the Forest, thro' Swithland Wood, to Budden Wood, and he went to ground.

29th.—Met at Billesdon Coplow, found, run there some time and killed a bitch fox with cub, ... 0..1

Then run another for some time, he then went away over by Tilton, by Huson Wood, to Laund Wood, then to the Park Wood, run there for some time and killed a dog fox.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

31st.—Met at Loughborough Outwoods, did not find, tried Carver's & the other Wood, did not find, found in Muckling Wood, went away through the Outwoods, over Loughborough Lane, back through Muckling Wood, and back through it again, then came away by Thorp, Qnorn Turnpike, and Town, to Budden Wood, run there some time, and killed a bitch, the whole 1 h. 17 m.—Mr. and John Raven was not out, ... 0..1

April 2d.—Met at White Horse Wood, tried the Wood, Gracedieu Park, did not find, turned up a fox, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Tried over the Rocks, Bardon Hill, Coleman's Wood, found on the Gorse by Poultney's Wood, went away through Lee Wood, Cover Clouds, to Steward's Hay, 3 or 4 foxes afoot, we stopt the hounds it rained so fast; three quarters of an hour.

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 46 Brace, 1 Fox.

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Aug. 23d.—Met at Easton Park, found directly,
run very hard for 20 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Killed another directly, and run one to ground,.. 0..1

Then run another one hour and killed..... 0..1

Then run another in the Park for one hour and a
quarter, and killed, ... 0..1

25th.—Met at Stockerston Wood, and found, run
about the Wood 35 minutes, and killed,..... 0..1

Then run two to ground, and killed them both,.. 1..0

Then found at Hallick Spinney, run about the
Common, Stockerston, and Marrowbow, for one
hour, and killed, ... 0..1

27th.—Met at Allextion Wood, found, he went
away for the Chace, and I stopt the hounds, the day
being very stormy.

29th.—Met at Easton Park, tried most of it,
Bradley Wood, found on the Common, run awhile
about the Park, and lost; then found at Medbourn
Pasture, and killed two directly, ... 1..0

Run another forty minutes hard, and killed at
Drayton Wood, ... 0..1

Sept. 1st.—Met at Bradgate Park, found in the
Fern, run about the Park some time, and he went
to ground at the Gardens.

2d.—Met at Swithland Wood, run about there,
the Park, and lost, tried Sand Hills, the Bog, found
in Steward's Hay, run awhile, & he went to ground;

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then found in the Fern, run through Sheet Hedges, Steward's Hay, and lost him, the hounds parted.

Sept. 5th.—Met at Budden Wood, run hard for some time, and he went to ground; then found 4 or 5 foxes at Starnell's Gorse, run about there and the Wood, and lost.

8th.—Met at Loughborough Outwoods, did not find, found at Swithland Wood, run over the Forest down to Woodhouse, back to Swithland Wood, and killed, ... 0..1

11th.—Met at the Kennel, found in George Thornley's Gorse, run about there, Gerrard's Gorse, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

13th.—Met at the Plantation, found, run awhile there, and killed, ... 0..1

Went away with another, run him by Ashbourn, to near Mapleton, and killed, ... 0..1

16th.—Met at Swithland Wood, run about there, Starnell's Gorse, over the Park, & lost; run another some time in Swithland Wood, and lost.

19th.—Met at Braunston, found in the Spinneys, run about for an hour, and killed a brace of foxes, . 1..0

Then found at Stretch Nook, went away through Tooley Brake, by Kirkby, to Lindridge Wood, one hour and a half, and killed, ... 0..1

20th.—Met at Grooby Hill, found in the Turnips,

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run very hard through Steward's Hay, Lee Wood, back through Cover Clouds, and lost in Steward's Hay; then found in the Pool Tail, run about Steward's Hay, and lost.

22d.—Met at Grooby Hill, found in Martinshaw, came away by Steward's Hay, through Bradgate Park, by Ansty, Cropston, to the Park, to Swithland Wood, and killed, ... 0..1

24th.—Met at Burbage's Lodge, tried Ratby Burrows, and that side of the country, did not find, found in the Whittington Ruff, came away to the Shaw, bad scent and lost; then found in the Pool Tail, run about Steward's Hay and those Woods, went to ground.

29th.—Met at Easton Park and found, run about the Park for 20 minutes, and run to ground; run another in the Park for an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in the Steppings, run about there and the Park for awhile, and he went to ground in a rabbit hole, got him out, and killed, ... 0..1

Oct. 1st.—Met at Beaumont Chace, found, run about the Chace, and lost; then found in a Spinney near Stoke End, run very hard for half an hour, and lost in Hickman's Riding.

3d.—Met at Allextion Wood, did not find, found in Stockerston Park Wood, run there about the Woods for half an hour, and he went to ground, dug him out, run him 12 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

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Then tried Hallick Spinney, and found on the Common next to the Steppings, run him about the Park for 25 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

6th.—Was to have hunted at Medbourn Pasture, but could not on account of rain.

7th.—Came to Billesdon Coplow, run awhile, stopt the hounds, and came to Quorn.

9th.—Met at Swithland Wood, run awhile there, and lost; then found in Bazzel Wood, went away to Crow Wood, over Thurcaston Field, over Rothley Ground, back through the Town, over the Plain to Budden Wood, and he went to ground.

11th.—Met at Muckling Wood, found, came away to Budden, he went to ground; then went over the Forest, found in some Gorse near Pilgrim's, run to Lee Wood and lost; then found at Poultney's Wood, came away round Beacon Hill, to Swithland Wood, and lost.

13th.—Met at Oakley Wood, found, run for two hours and a half in the Wood, then came away, to near Five Tree Hill, and killed, ... 0..1

16th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, went away through Bazzel Wood and Spinney, over the Slate-pit Hills, Outwoods, through Muckling, to Budden Wood.—1 h. 18 m. to ground; then found at Crow Wood, went away over Bradgate Park, back to Crow Wood, run 2 h. and killed there, ... 0..1

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18th.—Went to the Wolds, did not find, found in Owthorp Gorse, run awhile, and lost at Rick Hedge.

21st.—Met at Langton Cordle, & found, he went away down by Welham to Ashley Field in 20 minutes, and went to ground, bolted him, then run him over the Field by Carlton, Drayton Hill, by Holt, over Medbourn Pasture to Blaston; *Guardian* stripped off his brush as he went to ground.

23d.—Met at Gumley, tried all the Covers, did not find, found at Laughton Hills, run for 10 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Then found 3 foxes in Glover's Close, run about the Hills for an hour; it rained so very fast and so bad a day we came home.

25th.—Met at Shankton Holt, did not find, tried the Firs, Noseley Wood, found in Rolleston Wood, went away by the Town, over by Skeffington, between Tilton and Tugby Wood, through Laund Wood, by the Park Corner, over Belton Field, by Allextion, to the Chace.—1 h. 10 m.—Run in the Chace for 3 hours, had 3 or 4 foxes afoot, stopt the hounds and came home.

28th.—Met at Turlangton, tried Sheepshorns, found at the Willow Beds, went away by Wistow, over Arnsby Field, to the Town, and lost him in some Building, 1 hour; then tried some Spinneys at Saddington, Smeeton Hill, Gumley Wood Plantation, did not find, so we came home.—I rode a Mare of Mr. Watson's of Rockingham.

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30th.—Met at Langton Cordle, did not find, found at Stanton Wood, came away by the Cordle, Thorp Langton, by Welham, over Slawston Field and Hill, over Medbourn Field and part of the Pasture, by Holt, and killed him in Medbourn Field, near Drayton Hill, 1 h. 7 m. 0..1

Nov. 1st.—Met at Marston Wood, tried Clipson Twantry, did not find, found in a Spinney, past by, run him 3 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in Marston Wood, run about there & the Hills awhile, he went away to Howthorpe, and killed.—1 hour and a quarter, ... 0..1

Then went and found at Laughton Hills, run about there and Gumley, back to Laughton Hills, then killed him near Laughton Town, ... 0..1

3d.—Met at Rancliff, tried it, Debdale, did not find, found at Mr. Boothby's Cover, run about Wilford Hill, Ruddington, almost to Clifton, back to Wilford Hill, and he went to ground.

5th.—Was to have met at Rempston, but could not get over the water, the day being very unfavourable.

6th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, run about the Wood awhile, he went away over the Park through Sand Hills, hunted him back to Swithland Wood, then went away over the Park near to Ansty, hunted up to him in some Turnips, came away over the Warren, over part of the Park by the Kennels, into the Park, & he went to ground.—2 h. 30 m.

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Nov. 8th.—Met at Rothley House tried the Spinneys by Rothley, then came & found at Crow Wood, he went away directly through Bazzel Wood, over Swithland Field, through the Wood, over Bradgate Park, through Sand Hills, Blake Hays, Lee Wood, John's Leas, Steward's Hay, by Newtown, through Blake Hays, over the Forest, left Swithland Wood, to the left, through Starnell's Gorse, by Cropston, back by George Hardy's, through at the Kennels, over the Low Park to Sheet Hedges, run there some time, then came away over part of the Park by George Hardy's, by Ansty, then bearing away towards Braunston, turned to the left near to Stocking Wood, then by the Windmill near Leicester Abby, then on the Fosse to Belgrave Turnpike, and killed.
—3 h. 53 m. 0..1

10th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, run about there for some time then hunted him away to Stanford Earths, and he went to ground; then found on the Lings, run about there, then went away by Rempston, near to Hoton, back through the Park to Saville's Cover, and he went to ground, one hour and a quarter.

12th.—Met at Brooksby, found in one of the Frisby Gorses, he went away through the Pasture, by Thorp, turned to the left by Dalby, over by Kirkby, back through the Pasture, over Burrow Hill, by Somerby, back by Little Dalby, and killed

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near there.—1 hour and 55 minutes, most of the horses being tired, ... 0..1

14th.—Met at Rempston, tried Mr. Saville's Cover, the Lings, and all about there, then came back and found upon the Earths, run about the Cover and Lings for an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Nov. 15th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run about the Wood for some time, the hounds parted, a fox went away by Swithland Wood, Hunger Hill, to the Outwoods, got the hounds together there, then went away over by Beacon and Bird Hill, over the other Big Hill, through Bradgate Park, through Starnell's Gorse, then through Swithland Park, over Rothley Plain to Budden, run there awhile, and he went to ground, running 3 h. and 55 m.

17th.—Met at Walton Thorns, found, run ten minutes in the Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in Thrussington Wolds, he went away by Grimston to Saxelby Gorse, back through Dalby Wood to Shoby Earths, and he went to grounds.—1 h. 20 m. Then found in Shoby Lane, he went away up the Lane over by Grimston to the Stone Pits, near to Holwell Mouth, back by Kettleby, near to Kent's Thorns, by Welby and the New Cover, by Saxelby Town and Gorse, Dalby Wood, over the Moors by Six Hill, through the Wolds, and killed in the Gorse just by.—1 h. 32 m. 0..1

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Nov. 19th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away to Brooksby—bad scent and bad day, we lost; then tried the Spinneys by Rearsby, and came home.

21st.—Met at Widmerpool, found in the Old Cover, went away by Normanton to the Wolds, and lost, bad scent; tried part of the Wold, Blackcliff, Debdale, Rancilff, Round Hill, but did not find, came home.

22d.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, went away over to Bradgate Park with part of the hounds, the body came away over Mapplewell Grounds, I stopt the other at Starnell's Gorse, then went over by Sand Hills, through Lee Wood, over by Pilgrim's, by the Gorse, over the Hill by Markfield, to Thornton, and lost, almost 2 hours.

24th.—Met at Whetston Gorse, found, went away over by Gilmorton, by Walton, almost to the Holt, then by Shearsby Gorse, to Mowsley, and lost, about two hours.

26th.—Met at Braunston, tried part of the Spinneys, did not find, then went and found at Stretch Nook, run about there and had a ring for about two miles, back to the Cover, and killed, run 2 hours, 0..1

23th.—Met at Ruddington Turnpike, but did not hunt on account of rain.

29th.—Met at Crow Wood, found, and killed, .. 0..1

Another fox went away through Bazzel, over Swith-

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land Field and Wood, over part of the Forest, thro' Blake Hays, Lee Wood, Cover Clouds, through Steward's Hay, run there awhile, then went away to Martinshaw, and went to ground; then found in Sheet Hedges, came away to Steward's Hay, run some time, and lost.

Dec. 1st.—Met at Brooksby, tried Frisby Gorses, did not find, found in Haines's Gorse, went away through the Pasture for Ashby, then back through Frisby Gorse, by Frisby Town, through Kirkby Gardens, by Asfordby, and he went to ground.—1 hour and 20 minutes.

3d.—Met at Asfordby, tried the new Cover, Kent's Thorns, Holwell Mouth, Stone Pits, did not find; found at Saxelby, went away by Grimston, by Saxelby Town to Asfordby, by Welby, Kent's Thorns, to Wartnaby, and lost; deal of hunting.

5th.—Met at Cotes, tried the Spinneys, then went and found at Mr. Packe's, went away by Hoton, Cotes, Stanford, over Rempston Lings, through the Park, over by the Stone Pits, back over the Lings, by Rempston Bog, to the Park, & killed.—1h. 25m. 0..1

6th.—Met at Bardon Hill, found, had a airing down towards Hugglescote and back to Bardon Hill, run there some time, and killed; the run three quarters of an hour; then tried Poultney's Wood, the Gorse, Stoney Well, found in Lee Wood, came away back to the Stoney Well, Mr. thought they were

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running heel, stopt them, and came to a hollow at the Park, and lost; then found in Sheet Hedges, went away to Steward's Hay, run very hard there, then went away by the Shaw to Grooby, and lost.—2 h. 10 m.

8th.—Met at Widmerpool, tried the new Cover, did not find, it rained so fast that we came to Alsop's Gorse, did not find there, found at Mr. Goodere's, run to Alsop's Gorse, and lost; then found in the Cover again, run about the Cover and Thorp Earth for two hours, and killed,..... 0..1

10th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away over Croxton Field, by Gaddesby, by Brooksby, Frisby, to Kirkby, and he went to ground.—1 hour and 3 quarters; then found at Saxelby Gorse, went away by Grimston, Asfordby, Welby, over by the Holdens near to Scalford, and lost; about 2 hours.

12th.—Met at Ruddington, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, went away over Wilford Hill, round by Adwalton, over by Blackcliff, through Rancilff, round by Bradmore, through Blackcliff, to Mr. Boothby's Cover, then went away over Wilford Hill, back to the Cover, run there awhile and killed.—1 h. 40 m. 0..1

13th.—Met at Budden, did not find, found in Bazzel, went away over Swithland Field, by Slate Pits, and lost by Mapplewell Grounds; then found in Swithland Wood, he went away over by Mapplewell Grounds, by Sand Hills, through Lee Wood,

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Cover Clouds, by Lady Hay, John's Lees, through Blake Hays, over the Forest, back through Stoney Wells, by Pilgrim's, by Cover Clouds, to Steward's Hay; a cur dog caughted him, and we killed there.—

1 h. 40 m. 0..1

15th.—Met at Widmerpool, tried all the Hickling Covers, did not find, found in a Spinney by Kinoulton Gorse, went away by the Town, by Colston Bassett towards Langer, and lost, a very bad scent.

17th.—Met at Cole Pit Leas, we did not hunt, the day being very misty.

18th.—Met at Cole Pit Lees, found, went away by Seagrave, over Walton New Inclosure, by Burton, Prestwold, by Cotes Earths, by Walker's through the top of the Plantation, over the Earths, through Mr. Saville's Cover, over Leak Fields and Hill, over Gotham Field, by the Cuckoo Bush, almost to the Cover side, through the Wood, over the Field, through Mr. Chamberlain's Cover, on the top of Gotham Hill, by the Wind Mill, then over the Fields to Clifton Gardens, and killed.—2 h. 45 m. 0..1



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Jan. 20th.—Been twice in the snow to Billesdon Coplow to disturb the foxes.

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Feb. 12.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, run about the Wood and over to Ulverscroft, and he went to ground; then found at the Wood again, run him about the Wood and Park, and he went to ground in the Park.

14th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away to Cotes Earths, half an hour, went to ground; then found in the Cover again, run about half an hour, and he went to ground at Stanford Earths; then found in the Cover, went away through the Bog, by Hoton, Wimeswould, Mr. Goodere's Earths and Cover, stopt the hounds going for Highfield Spinney.—1 h. 45 m.

16th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Frisby Gorse, went away through Haines's Gorse, through Ashby Pasture, to Burton Drains, and he went to ground; then found by Thorp Thrustles, had a ring or two about the Pasture and Haines's Gorse, then went away over Twyford Field, Baggrave Earths, by the Coplow, about Newton Hills, then went away to Tilton Wood, stopt the hounds there, all horses being very near tired, a very hard day.

24th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, run about the Park and Lings for awhile, then went away by the Long Spinney, Cotes Earths, Stanford, Normanton, over the Soar by Dishley, Thorp, and lost by Burley Hall.

26th.—Met at Barkby Holt, a fox went away near

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to Baggrave Spinney, then to the Coplow, back by the Holt, over Queniborough Field, to Gaddesby, and lost; very good hunting.

March 3d.—Met at Cossington Gorse, found, and killed directly a bitch fox, ... 0..1

Then found in a Gorse in a Dumble near Thrusington Wolds, went away by Hoby, Rotherby, back by Hoby, a ring round Hoby Grounds, and he went to ground by Hoby Town.—37 m.

5th.—Met at Red Hill, tried about there and Clifton, Wilford Hill, did not find, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, went away below Adwalton, and lost; then found in the Cover again, run there some time, went away to Wilford Hill, and he went to ground; tried Blackcliff, Rancliff, Bunny Old Wood, did not find.

7th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away over Queniborough Field to Brooksby, then to Rearsby, and lost; then went to the Holt again, found, went away by Beeby to Ingersby, and he went to ground; very sharp burst, 15 minutes.

9th.—Met at Widmerpool, found in Strong Cover, went away by Plumtree to Mr. Boothby's Cover, run there awhile, then went away to the Hill, and killed a bitch fox big with cub, ... 0..1

11th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Haines's Gorse, went away through Pasture, & the Thrustles, round

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Thorp Town, and stoꝛt the hounds from a bitch fox, half an hour; then went to Saxelby Gorse, found, went to ground in a drain by Grimston; then found in the Cover again, went away by Wartnaby, round Kent's Thorns and New Cover, by Saxelby to the Gorse, then went away by Dalby Wood, Grimston, back by the Cover to the Stone Pits, hounds parted, one part went down to Holwell Mouth, the other under the Hill back to the Cover, then went away again under the Hills almost to the Stone Pits, there the hounds joined again, lost the fox by the Spinney near Saxelby Gorse, all the horses being very near tired, 2 hours or more.

13th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, had a ring round the Park, then over Leak Field, by Costock, over the Field to Bunny New Wood end, then down the Valley, over part of Leak Hills, up Gotham Field, by Mr. Willoughby's Cover, through Fox Hill, by Leak Town, near to Fisher's, then over the Hill by Gotham Cover, by Chamberlain's Cover, to Thrumpton Town, and killed a bitch fox, about two hours,.....

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14th.—Met at Widmerpool, tried all the Hickling Covers, did not find, found at Kinoulton Gorse, went away over part of the Wolds, by Owthorpe, round Colston Basset, back by Kinoulton Wood to the Wolds, very hard running; good hunting over the Wolds, by Normanton, Blackcliff, almost to Wilford Hill, and lost, 2 hours or more.

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16th.—Was to have met at Barkby Holt, but could not hunt on account of snow.

19th.—Met at Prestwold, tried the Spinneys, Jones's Gorse, Mr. Goodere's Cover, did not find, found on Costock Leas, went away through the New Wood and part of the Old Wood, over the Field, he went to ground in the Park.

21st.—Met at Widmerpool, found, went away over the Wolds, Hoe Hill, over Tollerton Field, down to the Trent, back almost to Tollerton Field, and lost; *Hurypunt* died that day.

24th.—Met at Langton Cordle, found, went away by Welham, over Slawson Field and Medbourn Pasture, through Easton Park, Stockerston Woods, through the Chase, over part of Uppingham Brand, back through the Chase by Stoke Town, and lost him in Liddington Field, hounds parted in several parts, 2 hours.

26th.—Met at Oadby Turnpike, tried all the Spinneys and Norton Gorse, Gaulby Spinneys, found in Shankton Holt, he went to ground at Norton in a drain, 15 minutes; then tried Rolleston Wood, Noseley Spinneys, Goadby Gorse, Keythorp, Hal-laton Wood, Fallow Closes, Glooston Wood, did not find, found in Stanton Wood, went away through Noseley Spinneys, Shankton Holt, to Carlton Earths, in 25 minutes, to ground.

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28th.—Met at Walton Holt, found, went away to Laughton Earths, in 14 minutes, and killed,..... 0..1

Then found a brace of foxes on the Hills, killed a bitch fox big with cub, ... 0..1

Then went away over the Hills for Theddingworth, the hounds parted, and killed a bitch fox that suckled; then went away through Marston Wood, by Sibbertoft, back to Howthorp, & lost.—2 h. 20 m. 0..1

31st.—Met at Sheepshorns, tried there, the Willow Beds, found in the Close by Shankton Holt, went away by Norton, Thurnby, through Scraftoft Spinneys, and killed.—15 m.—very hard burst, ... 0..1

April 2d.—Met at Langton Cordle, went away by Thorp and the Langtons, by Shankton Wood, & the Holt, by Illston, Gaulby, to Houghton on the Hill, in 1 h. 7 m. and killed,..... 0..1

4th.—Met at Billesdon Coplow, found, went away airing towards Tilton, back by the Coplow, over by Houghton and Stretton, by Glem and Newton, almost to Wigston, and killed.—1 h. 11 m. 0..1

We had a run from Gerrard's Gorse by Hulland Moats, Badders, over the Park, back by the Pinfold, through Thornley's Gorse, by Cox's Gorse, Cooper's, to the Hough's Park Earths, to ground, 1 hour and a quarter.

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 26 Brace, 1 Fox.

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Sept. 8th.—Met at Bradgate Park with 26 couple of hounds, we found in Cockload Hill, run about the Park for nearly an hour, and he went to ground; got to another scent in the Park, run about there, then over the Forest, hunted up to him at the Slate Pits, run him through Swithland Wood, over part of the Park, back to near Starnell's Gorse, and he went to ground.

10th.—Met at Bradgate Park, found near to the Hill, run about the Park awhile, then went away for Ansty, and lost; tried over the Park, Sand Hills, Blake Hays, the Bog, but did not find.

12th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found three or four foxes, the hounds parted, but went away over the Forest and lost going for Lee Wood; then went and found at Crow Wood, run hard in the Wood for above an hour, then went away over the plain by Rothley and the Spinneys, into Birstall Grounds, and he went to ground, dug him out, and killed near the Turnpike Road. 0..1

16th.—Met at Easton Park, found, run about the Park for some time, hounds parted, we got them together and found at the Steppings, run there for an hour and a quarter, and killed, ... 0..1

19th.—Met at Stockerston Wood, found at the Park Wood, went away to Allextion Wood, run for an hour and a quarter, and killed, ... 0..1

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Coming back to Stockerston Wood, met a fox, run him hard back to Allextion Wood for half an hour, run him to ground, dug him out, and killed, ... 0..1

22d.—Met at Easton Park, found in the Park, run about the Park for an hour, hounds parted, got them together, then went to Drayton Wood and found, run there for an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

25th.—Met at Easton Common, found by the Steppings, and killed directly,..... 0..1

Then found on the Common, run about there awhile, hounds parted, got them together to a fox in the Park, so bad a scent we lost; then tried Bradley Wood, Drayton Wood, did not find, found in Holt Wood, went away, run him 20 minutes, to ground, at Drayton Hill.

28th.—Was to have met at Stockerston Wood, but found on Blaston Common, run very hard about Blaston, and Horminghold, for twenty minutes, and killed at the Earths, ... 0..1

Then found in Stockerston Park Wood, went away to Allextion Wood, and back to Stockerston Wood; very hard for one hour, and killed,..... 0..1

30th.—Met at Medbourn Pasture, did not find, found in the Park, run very hard in the Park nearly two hours, and he went to ground, dug him out, and killed, ... 0..1

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Oct. 3d.—Met at Beaumont Chace, found in Wardleysale, run about there hard for 20 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Got to another fox, run about the Chace for some time, and lost.

5th.—Met at Billesdon Coplow, found, run about there for half an hour, stopt the hounds going for Ingersby, then got to a fox in Lord Maynard's Cover, run about there and the Coplow for two hours and a half, stopt the hounds going away for Tilton, came to Quorn after hunting.

8th.—Met at Thornley's Gorse, did not find, found at Gerrard's Gorse, run about there, then went away round by Mansfield Park & Cox's Farm, back by Gerrard's, over the Bog by Plant's, Wibberley's, back by Cooper's, Bottom's, through the Knowl to the Oaks, and killed, ... 0..1

Then run another to ground in Ramsdale Park.—twenty minutes.

10.—Met at the Plantation and found, run about there for awhile, and went to ground; then found in the Bog, run very hard for 25 minutes, and killed in the Gravel Pit between the Plantation, ... 0..1

Then found in Shirley Park, came away to the Plantation, and killed, about an hour and a half, .. 0..1

On the 9th we run a fox very hard to Ravensdale Park, and lost.

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Oct. 12th.—Went and tried about Thorpe and Great Dalby, Ashby, &c. but did not find.

14th.—Met at Thorpe, tried near to Burrow Hill, hit upon a scent near Great Dalby, hunted up to a fox at the Pasture, run awhile there, he went away to Melton Drains, and went to ground, dug him out and brought home to Quorn.

20th.—Met at Shankton Holt, and found, went away to Noseley Wood, and killed—very hard, 32m. 0..1

Found again in the Holt, run for 15 minutes, and killed at the Gravel Pits, ... 0..1

Then tried Rolleston Wood, Long Spinney, Willow Beds, but did not find any more.

22d.—Met at Laughton Hills, tried all the Hills, Walton Holt, Gumley, Smeeton Hill, but did not find—blank day.

24th.—Met at Marston Wood, did not find, we found in a bit of Gorse near the Twantry, went away to Marston Wood, almost to Howthorpe Earth, back over the Hills, through Marston Wood, over to Farndon, and lost, 2 hours and a half.

27th.—Met at Stanton Wood, found, went away to the Brook going for Walton's Lodge, back by Goadby Gorse, Hallaton Wood, and Fern, to Lodington, & killed, 3 quarters of an hour, very hard; no person could tell the first hound, ... 0..1

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29th.—Met at Sheepshorns, and tried the Spinneys about Carlton, Shankton Holt, Bromley's Firs, Noseley Wood, Gaddesby Gorse, Keythorp, did not find, found in Hallaton Wood, went away very hard to Cranoe, a storm came on, and they never run hard after; hunted him cool about Hallaton Wood, Hallaton, Keythorp Spinney, Fallow Closes, over to Slawson, and lost.—2 h. 45 m.

31st.—Met at Holt, found in Holt Wood, run there very hard for awhile, wen away to the Park, run very hard there, and killed.—37 m. 0..1

Then tried the Steppings, but found on the farther part of the Common, went away through Stoke End, by Hickman's, back by Hickman's, and killed in the Chace near Stoke End.—35 m..... 0..1

Nov. 2d.—Met at Braunston, tried all the Spinneys, did not find, found in some turnips near to Enderby, run about there, Stretch Nook, round by Braunston Spinneys, back to Enderby, and lost.—1 h. 50 m.—run hard for 50 minutes.

4th.—Met at Prestwould, found in the Spinney, went away by the Long Spinney, Cotes Earths, Mare Hill Spinney, over by Stanford Earths and Park, several rings about there, and lost at Mr. Buckley's Cole.—2 h. 45 m.

6th.—Met at Rancliff, tried there and Debdale, did not find, found in Blackcliff, went away through Rancliff, through Keyworth Town, through the

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Round Hill, Bunny Old Wood, by Highfield to Wysall, back by Highfield to Costock, and lost.—
1 h. 20 m.

7th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, run in the Wood awhile, and lost, bad scent ; killed a badger in Starnell's Gorse, a fox went away to the Wood, had a ring there, then went away over the Forest, run about Bradgate, hard for one hour and a half, and killed going for Sheet Hedges.

9th.—Met at Ashby Pasture, and found, run there and Haines's Gorse, for one hour and a quarter and killed,..... 0..1

Another fox went away, run him by Brooksby, round towards Gaddesby, by Frisby Gorse, by Frisby Town & Kirkby, by Melton Drains, back by Kirkby, Frisby, & killed near the Road above Rotherby.—2 h. 45 m. 0..1

11th.—Met at Stanford, found in Buckley's Cole, run to Stanford Park, went away to Hell Hole, and back three times, and lost at Hell Hole.—2 h. 45 m.

13th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Ashby Pasture, went away by Thorpe, Burrow, changed foxes, then went by Somerby, and lost near Ranksburrow.

14th.—Met at Grooby, found in the Shaw, run about there, Ratby Burrows, the Ruffs, came away to Steward's Hay, and lost.

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16th.—Met at Widmerpool, and found in the New Cover, run very hard by Willoughby, Widmerpool, to Stanton, and killed.—20 m. 0..1

Hunted a fox about Widmerpool Covers, and lost; then found in Alsop's Old Cover, went away round by Fox's, Mr. Goodere's Cover, over the Earths, back to the Old Cover, by the Little Cover, and lost.—1 h. 7 m.

18th.—Met at Costock Leas, found, run about there awhile, then went and got to a fox at the Round Hill, went away through the Park, stopt the hounds near Blackcliff; then went and found in Rancliff, went away by Keyworth to Widmerpool, and lost, the day being very stormy.

20th.—Met at Brooksby, tried Ashby Pasture, Haines's Gorse, did not find, a very great snow, tried Rothley Spinneys, came home.

23d.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, run awhile in the Cover, went away to Mr. King's Drains, back to the Holt, went away over the Drains down to the Brook going for Scraftoft, back near to Beeby, and killed.—1 h. 45 m. 0..1

Then Found in the Holt, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Found another fox, stopt the hounds.

24th.—Met at Prestwould, tried the Spinneys, Mare Hill, Cotes, the Bog, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, run about that Country awhile, and he went to ground at Cotes Earths.

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28th.—Met at Stanford Park, found on the Lings, run about there, to Hell Hole and back, then run down to Normanton, some men had caught the fox there, turned him up, and killed him,..... 0..1

30th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Haines's Gorse, went away through the Pasture, over Burrow Hill, by Somerby, Owston, and Tilton, to Billesdon Coplew, 6 or 7 foxes a foot, so we stopt the hounds, the first hour very hard.

Dec. 2d.—Met at Ranciff, tried there, Debdale, Blackcliff, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, run about there, Adwalton, Wilford Hill, and killed an old fox directly, ... 0..1

4th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, found, run a ring about the Cover, then went away by Six Hill Cover, Dalby Moor, by Lord Ferrer's, very hard down near to Hoby, & killed.—25 minutes.—sharp burst, ... 0..1

Then found at the Wolds, went away to Walton Thorns, run there awhile, came away into Seagrave, Lordship, then back by the Cover, and run to ground in a drain, 3 quarters of an hour.

5th.—Met at Costock Leas, found, went away over the Hills to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, then over by Crag Spinney, through Fox Hill, and lost, tried over Gotham Hills, found at Willoughby's Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

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Then found on Costock Leas, went away over Leak Hills, turned to the left, over the Field, by the Town, into Costock Closes, then over Rempston Lings, through the Park, over the Brook, back to Mr. Saville's Cover, and lost at Walker's.

7th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Haines's Gorse, went away for Gaddesby, turned back, went away by Thorp Thrustles, over Burrow Hill, by Somerby to Owston, Fir Hill, and killed near Lady Wood.—1 h. 5 m. 0..1

9th.—Met at Mr. Goodere's Cover, found, and killed there, ... 0..1

Then went away with a Fox to Alsop's Old Cover, back by Fox's, to Mr. Goodere's Cover, then went away over by the Earths, Wimeswould, to the Old Cover, back by Wysall, to the Cover again, and he went to ground.—1 hour and a half.

11th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse, found, and went away over by Grimston, Shoby Lane, hounds parted, went away with eight couple and a half very hard by Thrussington Wolds, round Shoby Town, back by the Scholds, over Shoby Lane, Grimston, back to the Cover, and killed.—1 h. 15 m. 0..1

The other hounds went for Welby, by Kent's Thorns, Wartnaby, Kettleby, back under the Hills to Saxelby, then went away through Dalby Wood, on the Road almost to Six Hill, turned over to

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12th.—Met at Costock Leas, found, and killed, 0..1

Then went away through the New Wood, on the Hill towards Hell Hole, turned over Gotham Field, down the Meadows to the Decoy, to Bunny Park, and lost; then hunted a fox through the Round Hill and the Old Wood, got up to him in the Wood near to the Turnpike Road, then went away over the Leas, Leak Hills, through Leak Town and over the Field, then got up to a Fox in Mr. Saville's Cover, run about the Lings awhile, then went away over the Field for Little Leak, through Hell Hole, Willoughby's Cover, Crag Spinney, Fox Hill, Hell Hole, back through Willoughby's Cover, Crag Spinney, Little Leak, over the Field, Rempston Lings, run about there awhile, then went away over the Field, through Hell Hole, to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, and killed.—5 h. 15 m..... 0..1

14th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, found, run in the Cover for an hour, went away into the lower part, a fresh fox went away by Lord Ferrers's and Ragdale, Shoby, Saxelby, and he went to ground at the Drains at Asfordby, very cold hunting, one hour and three quarters; then found in Saxelby Gorse, went away to the Hills, through Dalby Wood on the road for Six Hill, back by Dalby and the Wood, by Saxelby, under the Hills, and went to

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ground in a Drain in the Melton Turnpike Road.—
1 hour.

16th.—Sir William Lowther met at Billesdon Coplow and killed a fox; went away by Somerby, hard, and lost at Little Dalby.

17th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found, went away by Croxton, Baggrave House and Earths, to Billesdon Coplow, back by Quenby, Hungarton, Baggrave House, to Croxton, and killed.—1 h..... 0..1

19th.—Met at Crow Wood, found, and killed going for Starnell's Gorse.—I staked my Mare and stuck her there, ... 0..1

Then found in Swithland Wood, run about there awhile, went thro' Sir John Danvers's Deer Park to Budden, the hounds parted, run one to ground, some hounds went away to Crow Wood, back thro' Bazzel, to Budden, and he went to ground, dug him out, and killed, ... 0..1

21st.—Met at Brooksby, found in Little Frisby Gorse, and killed one fox, ... 0..1

Went away close to another, run him very hard for half an hour over by Melton Drains, by the Town, near to Melton, by the Navigation, and killed, ... 0..1

23d.—Met at Mr. Goodere's Cover, found, went away over Thorp Earths, by Fox's, bad scent, cold hunting, lost near Willoughby Town; then tried Old Tom, but found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away

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to Rempston, and he went to ground in a Drain; then another fox crossed by Rempston, run him about there, by Stanford Park, by Costock, over the Leas, through the New Wood, back through Leak, over the field to Stanford Hall, and lost in the Shrubby.

Dec. 24th.—Met at Whetston, found, had a ring about there, got to a fox again, and killed in the road, ... 0..1

Then tried Ayleston Gorse, did not find.

26th.—Met at Cossington Gorse, found, went away by Seagrave, over by Walton, back by Cross's and Seagrave, by the Cover, over by Thrussington, over the New Inclosure between Hoby and Ragdale, by Asfordby, by Melton, and lost.

28th.—Met at Widmerpool, found in the New Cover, went away by Hickling Covers, through Nether Broughton, Holwell Mouth, through Melton Spinney, almost to Saxelby, and he went to ground in a Drain; *Actress* bolted him and killed,—very hard, 1 h. 20 m. 0..1

30th.—Met at Clifton Gardens, did not find, then tried Mr. Chamberlain's Cover, over Gotham Hills, did not find, found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, came away through part of Hell Hole, over by the Cover, Gotham Hills, to Clifton Gardens, the hounds parted, seven or eight couple came away over Ruddington Grounds, by the Decoy to Bunny New Wood, run

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a ring or two about there, I got to them and stopt them, the other hounds run through Clifton Gardens, hunted over Gotham Moor, and lost.

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Jan. 1st.—Met at Walton Thorns, found, went away near to Wimeswould, by Alsop's Cover, by Fox's, over Wysall Field, and killed in Widmerpool.

—35 minutes,..... 0..1

Then hunted a scent through the Round Hill into Bunny Old Wood, could do no good, so had a scent; then found on Costock Leas, very bad scent, could do no good, some of the hounds run a hare from the Park to the Old Wood.

2d.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, and he went to ground; then went to a Hollow in Stanford Park, had a ring round by Rempston, over the Lings, then went away over by Costock, and over the Leas, through Bunny New Wood, over the Field by the Decoy, over the Moor by Ruddington, cold hunting, over the Brook for Clifton, then down the Brook almost to Wilford, over the Brook for Wilford Hill, and lost near to the Lane.

4th.—Met at Widmerpool, found in Hickling Cover next the Road, went away by Sir Harry's Cover, hounds confused, hunted him to Upper Broughton, then went and tried Sir Harry's Cover,

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did not find, found at the Spinney by Kinoulton Gorse, went away by Owthorpe Moats, to Colston Basset, hunted him back to Cropwell Field, we then found on the Wolds, went away by Kinoulton Wood and Town, by Colston Basset, over Langer Closes, by Granby, through Muston Gorse, over against BELVOIR, the hounds in several parts, got them all together but *Striver* and *Menacer*, I tired *Leveller Joe*, stopt with him at Wartnaby; found it out that the five couple that went forward killed their fox, ... 0..1

Jan. 6th.—Met at Alsop's House, tried both the Covers, did not find, tried Mr. Goodere's Cover, did not find, found on Costock Lings, went away by Costock, through Mr. Saville's Cover, over the Park to Cotes Earths; one hour, he went to ground.

8th.—Met at Syston, tried that Cover, Barrow Clift, did not find, found in Barkby Holt, went away by Gaddesby to Brooksby, came back by the Spinneys over by Frisby, hunted up to him near Kirkby, then run him very hard through the Gardens almost to Melton, then came back by Hawley's House, round Kirkby Park, through Frisby, and killed him in the road near the Town.—2 h. 20 m. 0..1

11th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse, found, had a ring through Dalby Wood, then through the Cover, went away on the Hills through Holwell Mouth, Clawson Thorns, Piper Hole, to Stathern Windmill, turned

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to the right over the Hills, Croxton Banks, between the Park and Town, back to BELVOIR, stopt the hounds,—2 hours and a half.

Jan. 13th.—Met at Mr. Boothby's Cover, found, went away by Adwalton, Ranciff, over Malkin Hill, down the Valley to Bridgford Earth, one hour and five minutes, very hard, and he went to ground, I stopt him at Malkin.

15th.—Met at the Lodge in the Wolds, found, went away by Kinoulton Wood, back by the Thick Hedge, then had a ring on the Wolds, then went away over Owthorpe Earths, Colston Basset, down by the Smite, almost to Hose Gorse, back by Colston Basset, left Langer to the right, went away by Tithby, down by the Smite to Watton, and lost at the Bridge,—2 hours, the last hour very hard.

16th.—Met at Cotes, tried Mare Hill Spinney, Mr. Packe's Spinneys, did not find, found at Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away by the Earths, Fox's, over the Field to Wysall Town, a man caught the fox in the Town, bagged him, sent him to Rempston to be turned out at night; then tried the Round Hill, did not find, we found on Costock, went away thro' Bunny Woods, Highfield Spinney, over by Rempston, through Mr. Saville's Cover and Park, by the Bog, Hoton, round Prestwould, back by Cotes Earths, Stanford Town, back to Rempston Lings, and killed.—2 hours and a half, ... 0..1

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18th.—Met at Normanton, found on the Wolds, run awhile about the Wolds, then went away by Clipston, to Tollerton, back over Hoe Hill, to the Gorse in the Close, and killed.—1 hour,..... 0..1

Tried over the Wolds, we had not disturbed, did not find, found at the Spinney by Kinoulton, went away by Owthorpe, Colston Basset, then came to cool hunting, and hunted by Langer Town, pointing for BELVOIR, and stopt the hounds.

Jan. 20th.—Met at Bunny, found in the Gardens, went away through Ranciliff, Blackcliff, and Keyworth Town, through Bunny Woods, by the Decoy, to Bunny Park, and killed.—1 h. 10 m. 0..1

Then found on Costock Lings, run awhile about there, got near to a fox, he went away to Costock, and Leak, through Hell Hole, over Leak Hills, through Costock Lings and the Old Wood, to Ranciliff, by Blackcliff, to Adwalton, left Wilford Hill to the left, and lost on the road below Wilford Hill, I think he went to ground.

22d.—Met at Cossington Gorse, found, had a sharp burst to Hoby Earths, and he went to ground; came back to the Cover, and found, had a ring round by Thrussington, back to the Cover, then by the Town again, by Ratcliff to the Bridge, on the Fosse hard, then hunted him by Syston, Barkby, Thorp, and lost, nearly two hours.

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January 23d.—Met at Rempston, found at Mr. Saville's Cover, went away, hounds parted, got them together, and run a fox to ground at Cotes Earths, then went to a Hollow at Stanford, hunted him to the Park, and lost at the Hall Shrubbery.

25th.—Met at Brooksby, found in Frisby Gorse, went away through Haines's Gorse, the Pasture, by Thorp, to Burrow Town, and killed.—50 m. 0..1

Then hunted a fox from Burrow to Little Dalby, and lost.

27th.—Met at Rempston, found on the Lings, run him to the Hall.—15 m. and killed,..... 0..1

Then tried Hell Hole, Fox Hill, did not find, found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went away over Leak Hills, through Costock Lings, through Mr. Saville's Cover, and he went to ground in a drain below the Hall, bolted him, run him about the Lings and Park, then got to an old scent, this run 1 hour; then went to a Hollow near Rempston, went away by the Town, over by Thorp Earths, over Wysall Pasture, through Highfield Spinney, Bunny Old Wood, Round Hill, by the Park Corner, over the Pasture, then by Keyworth Town, through Rancliff, near to Bradmore, then by Blackcliff, and Mr. Boothby's Cover, over Wilford Hill, through Clifton Gardens, over Gotham Hill, through the Wood, over part of the Hill, over the Moor to Bunny New Wood, there they stopt the hounds, all horses being very tired, running 3 hours and a half.

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29th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, found, went away round the Hall, over the Moor, round beyond Six Hill, back over the Fosse again, through the Gorse near to the Cover, then went away by Ragdale, Hoby, almost to Brooksby Mill, back on the top of Thrussington Field, through the Wolds, over Shoby Scholds and Lane, by Shoby, Saxelby, to Kent's Thorns, and killed.—2 hours and a quarter, ... 0..1

Feb. 1st.—Met at Brooksby, found in a Gorse beyond Frisby Gorse, came away through Frisby Gorse, then on the top of Frisby, back below the Town, by Rotherby, over at Brooksby Mill, by Hoby Earth, then went through Thrussington Wolds, by Walton Thorns, and killed near Burton on the Wolds.—1 hour and a half, ... 0..1

3d.—Met at Rempston, hit of a scent upon the Lings, hunted him away through Hell Hole, to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, got up to him there, then went away over Gotham Hills, through Mr. Chamberlain's Cover, by Thrumpton Wood, on Red Hill, back by Mr. Willoughby's Cover, over Gotham Field, by the Town to Clifton Gardens, then came back near Glapton Wood, the hounds parted, 7 couple went away by the Decoy and Bunny Woods, Highfield Spinney, Costock Lings, J. Harrison stopt the hounds, where the hounds parted a fox crossed the Moor near to the other hounds, 15 couple, they went away going for Clifton; then came to a Hollow on the Hill facing Barton, went away over the Field

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by Gotham Wood, I stopt the hounds near to the Dumble, they were running about four hours.

Feb. 5th.—Met at Mr. Kent's Thorns, did not find, found in Saxelby Gorse, went away by Saxelby, over by Asfordby, round Welby, to the Turnpike Road, came to a Check, went to a Hollow at Kent's Thorns, hunted him away by Kettleby, to Holwell Mouth, got up to him and killed there.—1 h. 10 m. 0..1

Then went away with another fox going for Nether Broughton, turned to the right below Clawson, then came to the Town, through part of Piper Hole, over the Hill going for Eastwell, turned to the left through Piper Hole, down the Vale by Clawson, below the Thorns to Holwell Mouth, and he went to ground, one hour and a half very hard running.

6th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away on to the Lings, headed back to the Cover, came away by the Park, went over the Hill for Hoton, the Long Spinney, then over by Prestwoud, by Stone's Barn, back by Cotes, to Stanford, back by Cotes Earths, then thro' the Long Spinney to Stanford Park, then to the Cover, over the Lings, round by Stanford, to Cotes Earths, and he went to ground, had several foxes a foot, running hard for two hours and a quarter.

8th.—Met at Brooksby, tried all the Ashby Pasture Country, did not find, we found at Cossington Gorse, he went away almost to Barrow, back by

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Sileby, and through Cossington, over by Rothby and Mountsorrel, to Budden Wood, 50 minutes, a fox went to ground, got to another fox in the Wood, run very hard awhile, then went away through Bazel, through Hunger Hill, over Mapplewell Grounds to Swithland Wood, run there a good while, stopt the hounds, 3 or 4 foxes a foot.

February 10th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away through the Park, by Hoton on the Hill, through the Long Spinney, by Stanford Earths, almost to Normanton, back to Stanford Town, and killed, 1 hour and a quarter,.. 0..1

Then went and found on the Lings, went away near to the Stone Pits, by Buckley's Coal, by Stanford Town, to Foxcraft Spinney, back by the other Spinney, through the Bog, the Old Gardens, back by the Bog, up the Long Spinney, over the Road below Walker's, very hard, came to a check, got to an old scent, hunted it back to the Long Spinney, and lost, I. H. that day.

12th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, found, went away by Ragdale, Shoby Lane, by Frisby, pointing for the Gorse, then over by Great Dalby, Gartree Gorse, to Stapleford, and lost; he had been run by dogs 2 hours, T. H. that day.

13th.—Met at Mr. Goodere's Cover, found, run hard in the Cover 10 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

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Then found on Costock Lings, went away down to the Brook, and lost; then found again in the Cover, run about the Lings awhile, then went away over Leak Hills, through part of Hell Hole, back by Leak Town, to the Lings, run about there, a bad scent, stopt the hounds, they were running above two hours.

15th.—Met at Barkby Holt, found went away by Beeby and Hungarton, Quenby, through the Coplow, over the Hill going for Tilton Wood, turned to the left by Loseby, Baggrave House, through the Holt, back by Quenby, through the Coplow, over the Hill near to Skeffington, through Tilton Wood and Laund Wood, stopt the hounds going away.—3 hours, I. H. Great many horses tired.

17th.—Met at Rempston, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away over Leak Field, through Hell Hole, Mr. Willoughby's Cover, Gotham Field, over Leak Hill, round Costock, Rempston, almost to Hoton, through Stanford Park, to Leak Town, and killed near Costock.—1 h. 35 m. 0..1

19th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds, found, run awhile in the Cover, went away by Ragdale, Shoby Lane, near to Grimston, over by Asfordby, back by Saxelby, to the Wolds, then went away round by Six Hill, almost to Shoby Lane, then over Dalby Moor, by Six Hill, through the Wolds, pointing for Hoby, back round by Ragdale, to the Wolds, and killed him just by.—2 h. 45 m. 0..1

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Feb. 20th.—Met at Bunny tried the Gardens, Ranciff, Debdale, Blackcliff, did not find, hit of a scent in the Short Gorse, found at Mr. Boothby's Cover, run about there and Wilford Hill, Adwalton, a ring by Blackcliff, back to the Cover, and lost.

22d.—Met at Widmerpool, found, went away over the Field by Fox's, over Wysall Pasture, Costock Lings, over part of Leak Field, by Rempston, Wimeswould, back over Thorp Earths, and he went to ground in a Sand Pit; then found on Costock Lings, run awhile there, went away over Leak Hill, Mr. Willoughby's Cover, through Gotham Wood, the hounds in three parts, one part run to ground at Fox Hill Earths, over the Hill to Clifton Gardens, and lost.

24th.—Met at Baggrave House, found in one of the Spinneys, went away by the House almost to the Holt, over by Hungerton, Quenby, back by the Spinneys, over Loseby Grounds, back over Croxton Field, to Baggrave, one hour, and lost; then found at Barkby Holt, went away by Scraptoft, over Humberston Field, by Barkby, Beeby, by Scraptoft Spinneys, Ingersby, by Beeby, to Scraptoft, back to Ingersby.—3 hours, stopt the hounds.

26th.—Met at Widmerpool, tried the New Cover, did not find, found in the Old Cover, went away by the Wolds, over Plumtree Field, by Mr. Boothby's

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Cover, by Wilford Hill, to Clifton Gardens, and
killed.—1 h. 18 m. 0..1

Then found at Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went
away through Fox Hill and Hell Hole, over Leak
Field, to Stanford Park, through Mr. Saville's Cover,
over the Lings by Mr. Buckley's, to Stanford Earths,
and killed a bitch fox with cub.—55 m. 0..1

March 1st.—Met at Billesdon Coplow, but could
not hunt on account of frost and snow, went to Bow-
den Inn.

3d.—Met at Sheepshorns, tried over the Earths
and Willow Bed, did not find, found a brace of
foxes in Shankton Holt, one went away by Tilton to
Gaulby; 35 minutes, it snowed so very hard we
stopt the hounds and came home.

5th.—Met at Langton Cordle, tried there, Stan-
ton Wood, did not find, found in Glooston Wood,
went away by Allextan, Horminghold, by Stockerston
Wood, over Easton Common, to the Park, hounds
parted, went away with one part through the Chace,
over Uppingham Field and Brand, by Liddington,
over the Field by Harthingworth almost to the Park,
came to a Check, stopt the hounds, and came home
at four o'clock.—1 h. 50 m.

8th.—Met at Oadby Turnpike, but could not
hunt on account of frost.

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March 10th.—Met at Oadby Turnpike, tried the Spinneys and Gorse, all Stretton Spinneys, did not find, then went to Billesdon Coplow, found one fox, run about the Coplow 15 minutes, and killed a bitch fox, ... 0..1

Then went to Lord Maynard's Cover, found a brace of foxes, and killed a dog fox directly,..... 0..1

The other came away to the Coplow, run about there for half an hour, and we stopt the hounds, as we thought it was a bitch fox; we then tried Rolleston Wood and Goadby Gorse, did not find; then came home.

12th.—Met at Sheepshorns, did not find, found a brace of foxes at Shankton Holt, went away by New Inn, near to Norton, through Lord Maynard's Cover to the Coplow, there was very bad scent, the fox stole away, hunted him through Lord Maynard's Cover, round by Newton, to Tilton, stopt the hounds; tried Tilton Wood and Skeffington, did not find.

14th.—Met at Langton Cordle, tried there and Welham Spinney, Stanton and Glooston Woods, found at the Fallow Closes, and killed, ... 0..1

Then tried Hallaton Wood, Keythorp Spinney, Hallaton Fern, Allextion Wood, did not find, found in Stockerston Wood, came away almost to Hallaton Fern, and lost.

17th.—Met at Swithland Wood, found, went away over the Forest to Lee Wood, through John's Leas,

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back through Lee Wood, over by Blake Hays, to Bradgate Park, and killed.—1 h. 5. m. 0..1

19th.—Met at Grooby Hill, found in the Shaw, went away through Steward's Hay, to Lee Wood, run there awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

Then tried Cover Clouds, Hayday Hay, Steward's Hay, Pool-tail, Sheet Hedges, did not find.

21st.—Met at Swithland Wood, tried the Wood, did not find, found in Starnell's Gorse, went away through the Wood, over the Slate Pits, back through the Wood to Bradgate Park, and he went to ground; then tried Sand Hills, found, and killed upon the Forest directly, ... 0..1

Then tried Lee Wood, Holtergolter, found in Hayday Hay, run him very hard for 20 minutes, and he went to ground in Steward's Hay, bolted him, he went away through Sheet Hedges, over to Braunston, and lost.—1 hour.

23d.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run awhile there, then went away over part of the Plain through Rothley Spinneys, Crow Wood, Starnell's Gorse, to Swithland Wood, run there awhile and killed.—1 h. 27 m. 0..1

Then tried over the Park, Sand Hills, Lee Wood, Cover Clouds, Hayday Hay, did not find, found in Steward's Hay next the Road, run about there, John's Lees, back through Steward's Hay, then

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went away through Hayday Hay, Lee Wood, Sand Hills, over the Forest to Swithland Wood, run there awhile, then went away over part of Swithland Field, through the Little Park, to Crow Wood, and killed.

—2 h. 10 m. 0..1

March 26th.—Met at Bardon Hill, tried there, Copt Oak, Poultney's Wood, did not find, found at a Gorse just by, and killed, ... 0..1

Another fox went away over the Hill, by Charley Grounds, over Timber Hill, almost to Whitwick Rocks, back over the Forest, through Bardon Hill, to Lee Wood, and he went to ground.—1 hour.

28th.—Met at Budden Wood, found, run hard in the Wood awhile, then went away over Swithland Park, near to Cropston, over Bradgate Park, through Sand Hills, Blake Hays, a bad scent, we lost him there.

30th.—Met at Muckling Wood, found, went away by the Outwoods, over the Forest to Lee Wood, he went to ground, 30 minutes; then found in Steward's Hay, had a ring there; then went away through the Shaw, Whittington Ruffs, back through Steward's Hay, to Bradgate Park, through Sand Hills, to Lee Wood, he went to ground, 1 hour and a half; had out 7 couple and a half of Mr. Hern's hounds.

April 1st.—Met at Muckling Wood, tried there, did not find, found in the Outwoods, and killed directly; another fox went away, hunted him over

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Beacon Hill and on the Forest, he had been gone so long we could do no good, we then tried White Horse Wood, Gracedieu Park, and Whitwick Rocks, did not find, found on Timber Hill, and killed directly, ... 0..1

4th.—Met at Oakley Wood, found, run about there for nearly 2 hours, and killed a bitch fox that suckled, ... 0..1

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 34 Brace, 1 Fox.

Sept. 2d.—Met at Budden Wood with 40 couple of hounds, 21 of old and 19 of young, run about the Wood for above 4 hours, so very bad a scent we lost.

5th.—Met at Bradgate Park, with 26 couple of hounds, 14 of old and 12 of young, tried the Park, Sand Hills, Blake Hays, did not find, we found in Swithland Wood, run about the Wood awhile, hounds parted, one part went to the Park, stopt them, got together in the Wood, run there, the Bog, and Starnell's Gorse above three hours, and lost him there.

7th.—Met at Prestwould, found, 1 fox run about the Spinney awhile, and lost; tried the other Spinneys, Mare Hill, did not find.

10th.—Met at Easton Park with 36 couple, found in the Park, 4 or 5 foxes run about the Park for about 2 hours, hounds in several parts, then they

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got to a badger and killed; then got to a fox, run him very hard 40 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode, John, Hack Mare; Tom, Chesnut Mare; Joe, Mr. Fitzherbert's Horse.

Sept. 12th.—Met at Stockerston Wood with 32 couple of hounds, found in the Middle Wood, one fox, he went away by Hallick Spinney, through Stockerston to the Park Wood, run there some time; then went to the other Wood, run there awhile, I believe he went to ground; several hounds run a hare, but soon stopt them, then tried most of the Common, found near the Steppings, run him through part of the Park, by Bradley Wood, so bad a scent we lost him in the Park, then tried the rest of the Park, did not find; *Pillager, Seaman, & Concord*, went away with a fox to Peas Brook & killed him, 0..1

Horses we rode—Adamant, Cocktail, Mr. Hugo's Mare.

14th.—Met at Allextan Wood with 31 couple, we found one fox, he went away directly to the Chace, so we stopt the hounds, some of the young hounds run a hare awhile but we stopt them, then went and found at Bradley Wood, run very hard about the Park, Drayton Wood, then went away over the Common to Stockerston Town, and killed.—1 h. 40 m. hard, the whole was two hours, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—John, Adamant; Tom, Chesnut Mare; Joe, Mr. Fitzherbert's Horse.

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17th.—Met at Holt Wood with 32 couple of hounds, we found 2 or 3 foxes, run about the Wood for half an hour, and killed, ... 0...1

Then tried the Pool Tail, Easton Park, Steppings, the Common, Hallick Spinney, Blaston Pasture, Medbourn Pasture, did not find.

Horses we rode—John, Hack Mare; Tom, Mr. Smith's Horse; Joe, Mr. Hugo's Mare.

19th.—Met at Beaumont Chace with all the young hounds, but *Florizel*, *Blowzy*, *German*. *Stormer*, and *Goby* walk'd down the Chace, then found 3 or 4 foxes in Wardly Soil, run nearly an hour, the foxes went away, so we stopt the hounds.

21st.—Met at Tilton Wood, but could not hunt on account of rain.

22d.—Met at Tilton Wood with 32 couple of hounds, found a fox, run awhile in the Wood, he went away for Laund Wood, so we stopt the hounds, the other part of Tilton Wood, Skeffington, Tugby, Loddington Rhenish, did find.

Horses we rode—Adamant, Mr. Smith's Horse, Mr. Fitzherbert's Horse.

24th.—Met at Blaston with 32 couple of hounds, found in Stockerston Wood, he went away through the other Wood for the Chace, so we stopt the hounds; then tried Bradley Wood, Easton Park, Steppings, found on the common just by, came away

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to the Park, run about there, Drayton Wood, for
above an hour, and killed in the Park,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hackman, Cocktail, Mr. Hungo's
Mare.

26th.—Men at Billesdon Coplow with 36 couple
of hounds, tried all the Coplow, did not find, found
at Lord Maynard's Cover, came away through the
Coplow, over by Skeffington, near Tilton Wood, to
Tilton Town, cool hunting, lost him, came to Quorn.

Horses we rode—Adamant, Mr. Smith's Horse,
Mr. Hugo's mare.

29th.—Met at Martinshaw with 30 couple of
hounds, found in the Shaw, run there awhile, then
went away to Rathby Burrows, run there awhile, then
came back to the Shaw, then through Whittington
Ruffs to Rathby Burrows, run there awhile, and killed.
—1 h. 40 m.—then came back to the Shaw, found
2 or 3 foxes, run about there with a bad scent at
times for 3 hours and a half, and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Stone Horse.

Oct. 1st.—Met at Steward's Hay with 28 couple of
hounds, found 4 or 5 foxes, run about there half an
hour, and run one to ground in a Drain, dug him out
and killed him there,..... 0..1

There was another in the Drain, bolted him, the
bounds met him and killed him directly,..... 0..1

Then found on the Lawn, run about the Wood

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for nearly an hour very hard, and he went to ground in a Rock, the hounds were close to him.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Cocktail, Sheva.

Oct. 3d.—Met at Martinshaw, found a fox, run there awhile, went away to Steward's Hay, and killed in 50 minutes,..... 0..1

Then found a brace of foxes in the Pooltail, went away to Steward's Hay, run 10 minutes, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Melon, Mr. Smith's Horse, Mr. Hugo's Mare.

5th.—Met at Sheet Hedges with 30 couple of hounds, found a fox, went away to Steward's Hay, and killed, ... 0..1

Tried the Pooltail, did not find, we found at Swithland Wood, went away over part of the Park, by the Kennel, back to Starnell's Gorse, and he went to ground in the Hedge.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Stone Horse.

3th.—Met at Bradley Kennel, with 26 couple of hounds, tried the Knowl, Thornley's Gorse, did not find, found in Gerrard's Gorse, went away through Mr. Burrow's Wood, back by Thornley's Gorse, by Hough, Park Earths, near to Webster's, by the Knowl, by Pegg's, left Shirley Park to the left, and ran him to ground near Yaveley.—one hour and five minutes; coming home, hit of a fox in J. Harrison's Turnips near Lady Hole, went away for the Curr,

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below Greens, back by Wibberley's, on to Shirley Common, back up the Valley, by the Lady Hole, through the Plantation, to the Turnips, stopt them.
—50 minutes.

Horses we rode—Adamant, Mr. Fitzherbert's Black Horse, Sheva.

10th.—Met at the Kennel with 22 couple of hounds, tried Starston Bog, the Plantation, the Knowl, Thornley's Gorse, Gerrard's Gorse, some Gorses, beyond Bardale, Ravensdale Park, did not find, blank day.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Cocktail, Mr. Hugo's Mare.

11th.—Met at the Kennel with 27 couple of hounds, tried the Lady Hole, Turnips, the Gorse near Mr. Beresford's Farm, Shirley Park and Common, the Ruff, the Bog, Burrow's Wood, did not find, blank day.

Horses we rode—Adamant, Mr. Fitzherbert's Stone Horse, Sheva.

13th.—Met at Budden Wood with 43 couple of hounds, found 3 or 4 foxes, run about the Wood for above an hour, very bad scent, we lost; then tried Starnell's Gorse, did not find, found in Swithland, hounds parted, one part went away for the Park, we got the hounds together there, then hunted him through Sand Hills, over the Forest to the Outwoods, got near to him, went away through Woodhouse, to

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Hunger Hill, some young hounds run a hare, so we stopt them all.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Stone Horse.

Oct. 15th.—Met at Grooby Hill with 33 couple of hounds, found in the Shaw, run there awhile hard, he went away almost to Steward's Hay, back thro' part of the Shaw, by Ratby to Braunston Earths, he went to ground.—50 minutes.

Horses we rode—Valiant, Snap, Shark.

17th.—Met at Lee Wood with 33 couple of hounds, found a fox and killed directly, ... 0..1

Then hunted a scent from the Stony Wells, round Pilgrim, but could do no good, got the hounds together, tried the Gorse, Poultney's Wood, Copt Oak, hit of a scent, hunted a little way on the Forest, then went and found 2 or 3 foxes in Bardon Hill, hounds parted, some went away to Ravenstone, running in the Hill for nearly 2 hours, and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Magog, Denmark.

19th.—Met at Stanford Park with — couple of hounds, found 2 or 3 foxes in Mr. Saville's Cover, run there awhile, then went to Hell Hole, and found a fox, went away to Fox Hill and back, then went away to Mr. Willoughby Cover, run there awhile, had 7 or 8 foxes a foot, then hunted a fox away through Fox Hill, Hell Hole, on the Pasture, he went back to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, stopt the hounds, came home.

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Horses we rode—Leicester, Cocktail, Mr. Hugo's Mare.

Oct. 20th.—Met at Braunston with 24 couple of hounds, found in Hugo's Gorse, went over to the other Spinney, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Another fox went away to Enderby and back to Braunston Earths, down by the Town, then back to Enderby, then went away almost to Stretch Nook, turned to the left near to Burbage Wood, turned to the right, went over Sutton Field, through the Ambion, almost to Lindley, up to Dadlington, and killed.—3 h. 25 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Melon, Mr. Fitzherbert's Stone Horse, and the Stone Horse.

22d.—Met at Steward's Hay with 30 couple of hounds, tried most of it before we found, we found but one fox, he went away through Lady Hay, Martinshaw, then to the Ruffs, and lost; then tried Whittington Ruff, the Shaw, Pooltail, found in Sheet Hedges, went away over part of Bradgate Park, back to Sheet Hedges, and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Magog, Shark.

24th.—Met at Prestwold with 24 couple of hounds, found in the Broom Spinney, went away by the Hall, near to Mare Hill, and we lost him; tried all the Turnips about Cotes, did not find, found in some turnips near the Turnpike Road, run three or four rings about Cotes, and killed near Cotes Earths. 0..1

Horses we rode—Leicester, Leveller, Denmark.

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26th.—Met at Loughborough Outwoods with 32 couple of Hounds, tried there, did not find, we found a brace of foxes in Swithland Wood, went away near to Cropston, then over Bradgate Park, through Newtown and Steward's Hay, then came over the Park by Old John, down by Hoggets Gate, then came to a Check, went to a Hollow at Hunger Hill, but the fox was so long gone we could do no good, came to Swithland Wood, a fox went away to the Park, but the hounds could not hunt him, he had been gone so long.

Horses we rode—George, Snap, Denmark.

28th.—Met at Budden Wood, but went to Muckling Wood with 32 couple of hound, found 2 or 3 foxes, and killed one directly, ... 0..1

Then went away through the Outwoods, round Beacon, through Swithland Wood, by Cropston, to Ansty, and killed.—1 hour, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Leicester, Magog, Shark.

31st.—Met at Budden Wood with 32 couple of hounds, found 3 or 4 foxes, run about the Wood for an hour, and a fox went to ground, some other hounds were running, got them together, run about the Wood some time, some hounds went away, got most of the hounds together, went by Mountsorrel, by Rothley, and killed.—1 hour and a half, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Cocktail, Denmark.

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Nov. 3d.—Met at Prestwold with 24 couple of hounds, tried all the Spinneys about there, and Mr. Goodere's Cover, did not find, found upon Costock Lings, had a ring about there, then went away over Leak Hills, to Fox Hill Earths, through Hell Hole, had 2 or 3 rings about those Covers and lost at Mr. Willoughby's Cover.—2 hours.

Horses we rode—Leicester, Warrior, Chesnut Hack Mare.

5th.—Met at Crow Wood with 32 couple of hounds, found, went away to Rothley, run about the Town, then came away over Follow Field, thro' Swithland to the Wood, then went away through Hunger Hill, by Woodhouse, through the bottom of Budden Wood, by Bazzel, over Swithland Field, to Cropston, got to a very bad scent, hunted it back almost to Crow Wood, and lost.—2 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Shark.

7th.—Met at Ranciff with 24 couple of hounds, found 2 or 3 foxes, run about the Cover awhile, a fox went away through the Park over the Field, to the Old Wood, hounds parted, we then got them together, went to Ranciff, got to a fox, run there awhile and killed, ... 0..1

Then tried Keyworth Pasture, did not find, we found in the Round Hill, went away over Keyworth Gorse, down to the Park, and killed him in Bunny Town, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Leicester, Leveller, Snap.

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Nov. 9th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 24 Couple of hounds, found 3 or 4 foxes, run about the Cover for some time, then came away by Ragdale, Shoby Scholds, went away by Grimston, over Dalby to Shoby Grounds, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Warrior, Stone Horse.

11th.—Met at Normanton with 26 couple of hounds, found on the Wolds, run there some time, but a very bad scent we lost; then tried over the Wolds, Owthorpe Gorse, the Thick Hedges, did not find, found at the Gorse Cover on the Wolds, run about some time and lost.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail.

12th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Wolds, run there awhile, then went away by Ragdale, to the Scholds, back to the Wolds, then went away toward Hoby, and run him to ground in a Drain near Coal Pit Leas; then tried Shoby Scholds, did not find, found at Thrussington Wolds, went away by Shoby Scholds and Shoby, to the Drain at Grimston, back over Shoby Lane, on the road towards Hoby, back to the Lane, to the Scholds, then back to the Lane, & killed.—45 m.

Horses we rode—Leicester, Warrior, Shark.

Nov. 14th.—Met at Mr. Willoughby's Cover with 24 couple of hounds, tried it, the other Cover beyond, and Crag Spinney, did not find, hit of a scent

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at Fox Hill, hunted him about there, Hell Hole and lost, so bad a scent; then found at Costock Lings, run about there, the New Wood, stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Traveller, Mr. Charles Gray's Cropt Horse, Denmark.

16th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple of hounds, found a fox in the right hand Cover, went away by Walton Thorns, over the New Enclosure, then over Burton Grounds to Burton, and lost, such a very bad rainy day.

Horses we rode—Valiant, Leveller, Leicester.

18th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found 4 or 5 foxes, one went away by Grimston, through Dalby Wood, by Old Dalby, over near to Widmerpool Pasture, then went by Willoughby, left Little Tom to the left, and Alsop's House, went back over the Fosse, Dalby Moors, through Dalby Wood, to Saxelby Gorse.—1 h. 20 m.—Run 40 m. in the Cover, and killed a fox,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Stone Horse.

19th.—Met at Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple of hounds, bolted a fox out of a Drain, went away a ring towards Prestwoud, then by Fox Croft, to Cotes Earths, round by Stanford Town, back to Cotes Earths, and killed,..... 0..1

Then tried the Bog, did not find, found at Mr. Saville's Cover, went away over the Lings, down the

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Long Spinney, by Fox Croft, to Prestwould, got close to him, run him hard back to Fox Croft, then hunted over the Earths, round by Cotes, got near to him, had a ring or two about there, then came away near to the Mill, down by the Soar, then came on the Lane for Barrow, and killed near the lane; one hour and a quarter hard running, at last the other cool hunting, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Pywell, Chesnut Hack Mare, Shark.

Nov. 21.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple of hounds, found a fox, went away by Hoby and Brooksby, by Frisby, Asfordby, back by Ragdale to Thrussington Wolds, and lost,—1 h. 20 m. Some of the hounds run a hare, we then found at Walton Thorns, went away over the Lane for Thrussington Wolds, back over the Lane, went away by Alsop's House, over Willoughby Field, pointing for Hickling Gorse, turned to the left by Widmerpool Barn, by Lord Robert's Cover, on the Lane to Normanton Wolds, and killed.—55 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Leveller, Warrior.

23d.—Met at Alsop's House with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Old Cover, went away over Thorp Earths, by Rempston, towards Prestwould, then by Wimeswould, to Willoughby Town, and lost.—1 h. 20 m.

Horses we rode—Melon, Cocktail, Mercury.

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Nov. 25th.—Met at Barkby Holt with 22 couple of hounds, found a fox, went away by Bagrave, to Billesdon Coplow, had a ring near Billesdon Town, and killed in the Cover, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Pywell, Shark.

26th.—Met at Bunny Hill with 24 couple of hounds, found on the Lings, run about there awhile, then went away to Hell Hole, run about there, had two rings round by Kingston, back to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, and killed.—4 h. 12 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Denmark, Leveller, Bay Hack Mare.

28th.—Met at Widmerpool with 22 couple of hounds, found a fox in the New Cover, went away by Broughton, by Dalby Wood, by the Stone Pits, to Holwell Mouth, back in the Vale by the Stone Pits, to Wartnaby, and killed.—2 hours, ... 0..1

Then found at Saxelby Gorse, went away, run by Dalby Wood, by Nether Broughton, back almost to Dalby Wood, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—George, Leicester, Mercury.

30th.—Met at Rempston, but could not hunt on account of frost.

Dec. 12th.—Met at Budden Wood with 24 couple of hounds, found, run about the Wood for 20 minutes and killed, ... 0..1

Then got the hounds together, run about the Wood awhile and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Ben, Clumsy.

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Dec. 13th.—Met at Budden Wood with 40 couple of hounds, found, run about the Wood awhile, then went to the Turnpike Road, and went to ground; then found in the Wood, run about the Wood awhile, then went away by the Mill, by Muckling Wood, through the Out Woods, over Beacon Hill, through Mapplewell Grounds, through Bradgate Park, by Cropston, Thurcaston, near to Birstall, by Wanlip, by Rothley Spinneys and Town, to Budden Wood, run there awhile, stopt the hounds running.— $3\frac{1}{2}$ h.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Ben, Clumsy.

Dec. 15th.—Met at Rempston with 26 couple of hounds, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away through the Park, by Rempstone Old Church Yard, by Costock, over the Leas, Leak Hills, by Hell Hole, Fox Hill Earths, Little Leak, back up to Stanford Park, run in the Cover awhile, then went away and killed near the Hall, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Leicester, Cocktail, Denmark.

16th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 20 couple of hounds, found, run in the Cover awhile, then went away by Walton Thorns, by Walton Town, hounds parted in the Field, one part went for Burton, Joseph stopt them, the other came by Barrow, hunted him back to Burton, and lost.—1 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—Melon, Leicester, Shark.

17th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away facing Broughton, then came up the Hill by Wartnaby, Kettleby, by Hol-

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well Mouth, Clawson Thorns, by the Town, and lost near the Brook, 1 hour; then found at Holwell Mouth, went away by Clawson Thorns & Town, and lost at the same place as before.

Horses we rode—Denmark, Leveller, Stone Horse.

Dec. 19th.—Met at Widmerpool with 20 couple of hounds, found a brace of foxes in the first Cover, went away with one over Willoughby Field, through the Town, over by Little Tom, by Alsop's House, over the Field, by Willoughby Lane, back over the New Enclosure, over Thorp Earths, by Wimeswould and Burton, over part of Walton Field, and lost.—1 hour and a half.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Pywell.

22d.—Hunted at Budden Wood for exercise.

31st.—Met at Bunny Wood in Rancliff, went away through the Park, over the Round Hill, through the Old Wood, New Wood, over Leak Hill, by Cross's, through Hell Hole, over Leak Field, to Little Leak, and killed.—40 minutes, ... 0..1

Then found at Mr. Willoughby's Cover, run there an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Miss Henson, Shark.

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Jan. 2d.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away, run to ground

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in Hoby Grounds, then found in the other Cover, went away over the Fosse, to Seagrave, then to Cossington Spinney, and killed.—30 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Leicester, Mercury.

Jan. 3d.—Run in Budden Wood one hour for exercise.

4th.—Met at Bunny Hill with 22 couple of hounds, found on Costock Lings, run about there awhile, then went away by Highfield House, through the Old Wood to the Park, then back over the Field, through the New Wood, to the Lings, run there some time and killed,—the whole 1 h. 20 m. 0..1

Then tried over Leak Hills, the New Cover, on Gotham Hill, found on the Hill facing the Gotham Cover, went away through the Wood, over the Hill through Thrumpton Wood, back over Red Hill, to Clifton Gardens, and lost.—1 hour.

Horses we rode—Melon, Miss Henton, Shark.

6th.—Met at Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, found a brace of foxes at Frisby Gorse, went away by Garland's House for Kirkby, back through Frisby Gorse, to Brooksby, and killed.—37 m. 0..1

Then found at Cossington Gorse, and killed a fox, 0..1

One went away round by Ratcliff, by Rearsby, Thruington, to the Cover, then went away thro' Ratcliff, over to Syston, and lost.

Horses we rode—George, Leicester, Mercury.

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Jun. 7th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, a fox went away while we were waiting at the Cover, hunted him by Wartnaby, Kettleby, to Holwell Mouth, got near to him, went away, came back under the Hill, through Dalby Wood, over the Moors by Alsop's House, then down the Lane near to Burton, then over near to Mr. Packe's Spinneys, to Thorp Earths, and killed just by there.—2 h. 5 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Stone Horse, Cocktail, Denmark.

9th.—Met at Widmerpool with 22 couple of hounds, tried the first Cover, a fox was gone away, hunted awhile, then found in the Old Cover, run there awhile, then went away by the Barn, by Hickling, Kinoulton, hunted up to him near the Old Church, then came away by Widmerpool Barn, over by both Broughtons, to Clawson Thorns, and he went to ground.—1 h. 43 m. from the Cover.

Horses we rode—Melon, Miss Henton, Leicester.

11th.—Met at Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple of hounds, found by Stanford, had three or four rings about Stanford, Cotes, and lost near to Mr. Buckley's.—1 hour and a half, a very hard frost.

Horses we rode—Chesnut Hack Mare, Leveller, Ben.

Jan. 14th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away by Grimston, by Dalby, through Nether Broughton and Clawson, near to Piper Hole, round by the Holdens, by Wartnaby,

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the Stone Pits, under the Hill almost to Dalby Wood, and he went to ground in a Hollow Tree, we bolted out two foxes, one went to ground in a drain directly, the other we hunted over the Hill to the Ponds below Wartnaby, and lost the run to the Tree.—1 h. 37 m.

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Shark.

Jan. 16th.—Met at Syston with 22 couple of hounds, tried Queniborough Gorse, Barrowcliff, did not find, found at Barkby Holt, went away over by Baggrave House, through Ashby Pasture, round by Thorp, over Twyford Field, almost to Tilton, by Loseby, through Quenby Park, by Hungerton, to Baggrave House, and he went to ground.—1 h. 40 m.

Horses we rode—Melon, Cocktail, Chesnut Hack Mare.

18t.—Met at Alsop's House, but did not hunt on account of frost.

19th.—Met at Alsop's House with 20 couple of hounds, found in the Old Cover, went away to Thorp Earths, to ground; then tried Mr. Goodere's Cover, Round Hill, Keyworth Pasture, Rancilff, Debdale, Blackcliff, did not find, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, went away through Adwalton, by Hoe Hill, to the Wolds, almost to Cotgrave, and lost.—1 hour.

Horses we rode—Denmark, Warrior, Mercury.

20th.—Met at Shoby Scholds, found in a Hedge, went away by Rochdale, by Lord Ferrers's House,

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over Dalby Moor, the hounds parted, one part went to Wartnaby and lost, the others went over the Fosse, over Willoughby Field, by Little Tom, pointing for Burton, turned to the left to Thrussington Wolds, had 3 or 4 foxes a foot, stopt the hounds, then the other hounds came to us, then tried Shoby Scholds and Lane, did not find, came home.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Leicester.

21st.—Met at Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple of hounds, tried about Cotes, the Bog, did not find, we found at Mr. Saville's Cover, run about there awhile, he then went away to Stanford Earths, and killed in the River.—1 hour,..... 0..1

Then found in Mr. Saville's Cover, run there awhile, so bad a scent we stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Shark, Ghamb, Miss Henton.

23d.—Met at Brooksby with 24 couple of hounds, found in the second Frisby Gorse, went away by Frisby, near to Shoby, by Saxelby, through Kent's Thorns, by Kettleby, by Clawson Thorns, to Piper Hole, the hounds parted, the body went away thro' Clawson, to Holwell Mouth, back to Clawson Thorns, and he went to ground.—2 h. 5 m.

Horses we rode—Mr. Charles's Grey Crop, Warrior, Mercury.

25th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 24 couple of hounds, found one fox, run awhile in the Cover,

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then went away to Walton Thorns, had 2 or 3 foxes a foot there, then went away back to Thrussington Wolds, run there some time, then went away by Ragdale, Shoby Scholds, and he went to ground at Dalby, bolted him and killed him just by, they run about 2 hours, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Denmark, Cocktail, Leicester.

Jan. 27.—Met at Whetston Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found a brace of foxes, run in the Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

Another went away near Blaby, by Croft, Stanton, to Shilton, and killed.—2 hours, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Shark.

31st.—Met at Six Hill with 24 couple of hounds, tried the two Walton Thorn Covers, did not find, found at Thrussington, run about the Cover for 50 minutes, and killed, then came home, such a high wind, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Melon, Leicester, Mercury.

Feb. 2d.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 24 couple of hounds, found, went away directly by Wartnaby, near Holwell Mouth, by Nether Broughton, near to Dalby Wood, by Saxelby Gorse, by the Stone Pits, to Holwell Mouth, and he went to ground.—55 m. then hollowed to a fox above the Thorns, went away to Clawson Thorns, came back to Holwell mouth, then under the Hill to Saxelby Gorse, then through Dalby Wood, by Dalby and Nether Broughton, by

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Clawson, to Piper Hole, to Harby Field, and killed.

—1 h. 40 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Denmark, Leicester, Mercury.

Feb. 4th—Met at Cossington Cover with 22 couple of hounds, found, run there about 20 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Another went away had a ring near to Seagrave, over the Fosse, to Ratcliff, back by the Spinney, and lost near the Cover; went to Thrussington Wolds, a fox went away by Ragdale, to the New Bridge on the Wreak, back by Ragdale to Thrussington Wolds, run there awhile, and stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Melon, Cocktail, Warrior.

6th.—Met at Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, tried all the Frisby Gorses, did not find, found in Haines's Gorse, went away through the Pasture, by Thorp, to Burrow Hill, and killed.—25 m. 0..1

Tried Burrow Hill, the Gorses about Little Dalby, did not find.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Leicester.

8th.—Met at Costock with 22 couple of hounds, found on the Lings, went away thro' the Old Wood to the Park, back over the Field through the New Wood, over Leak Hills, round by the Decoy, over the Field, through the Old Wood, by Highfield House, round near to Costock, over the Lings, he went to ground at the Gorse, near the New Wood End, tried over the Hills, Mr. Willoughby's Cover, Fox Hill, Hell Hole, did not find.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Miss Henton, Magog.

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10th.—Met at Widmerpool with 22 couple of hounds, a fox went away while we were standing at the Cover, so bad a misty day we did not run him; we then found at the Old Cover, run there awhile, then went away by Hickling Gorse, on the Hill, almost to the Town, then by Kinoulton and the Gorse, back to the Cover, run there awhile, then went away over by the Parson's Gorse, by Over Broughton, back by the New Cover, to the Old Cover, run there some time, stopt the hounds.—running 3 hours.

Horses we rode—George, Warrior, Mercury.

Feb. 11th.—Met at Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple of hounds, hit of a drag on the Hill, but could do no good, then found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away over the Lings, by Walker's, left Stanford Town to the right, by Cotes, round by Prestwoud and Hoton, near Rempston, back through the Park, by Stanford and Cotes, to Prestwoud, he went to ground in a drain, bolted him, run him to Hoton, and killed.—2 hours, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Melon, Miss Henton, Shark.

13th.—Met at Barkby Holt with 24 couple of hounds, found 4 or 5 foxes, run about the Cover, 1 hour and a half, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Baggrave Spinney, went away by Loseby, almost to Ashby, by Barsby, over the Field to Barkby Holt, and killed.—45 minutes, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Denmark, Leveller, Leicester.

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Feb. 15th.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, we could not hunt on account of frost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Cocktail, Magog.

17th.—Was to have hunted at Widmerpool, but could not on account of frost.

February 18th.—Met at Keyworth Pasture, but could not hunt on account of frost; we hunted at Budden Wood with 34 couple of hounds, found in the Wood, run there some time, came away by Quorn, then over Mountsorrel Hill, over Rothley Plain, thro' Bazzel to Budden Wood, hunted him through the Wood, pointing for Muckling Wood, stopt the hounds, bad scent.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Pligmy, Denmark.

20th.—Met at Brooksby with 22 couple of Hounds, we tried Collins's Gorse, Thorp Thrustles, the Pasture, Haines's Gorse, the Farther Frisby Gorses, we found in the first Cover, went away to Kirkby, over by Guadaloupe, back through the Pasture, by Haines's Gorse, through Frisby Gorse, by Brooksby and Thrussington, by Cole Pit Leas, almost to Sea-grave, and killed.—1 h. 45 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Warrior, Shark.

22d.—Met at Saxelby Gorse with 24 couple of hounds, found in the Gorse, went away over the Hill by Nether Broughton, and over Broughton to the first Hickling Cover, and lost; bad scent, all cool hunting.

Horses we rode—Melon, Cocktail, Leicester.

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Feb. 24th.—Met at Widmerpool with 22 couple of hounds, we tried the New Cover, & all the Hickling Covers, did not find, we found in the Row Hoe, run there 20 minutes, a fox went away over the Road, turned to the left, to the Wolds, then went back on the Turnpike Road, back to the Cover, then went away over Widmerpool Field, by the Town, over Keyworth Field and Pasture, through Bunny Woods, over the Fields, by the Decoy, and killed.—2 h. 20. m. in Cover, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Denmark, Leveller, Warrior.

25th.—Met at Keyworth Pasture with 20 couple of hounds, tried the Pasture, hit of a drag, he was gone away, we then tried Debdale, Blackcliff, did not find, we found 2 or 3 foxes at Mr. Boothby's Cover, one went away near Wilford Hill, back over the Meadows, by Blackcliff, to Ranciff, hunted up to him near Ranciff, run him about there awhile, a bad scent, and so hot we lost him there; then hit of a fox at the end of the Old Wood, run him very hard through the Old Wood and New Wood, down to the Brook facing the Decoy, then by Bunny, up the Field, thro' the Old Wood, and Round Hill, Keyworth Pasture, over Stanton Closes to the Row Hoe.—40 minutes, stopt the hounds at the Cover, two foxes a foot.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Driver, Magog.

27th.—Met at Billesdon Coplow with 22 couple of hounds, found 5 or 6 foxes, run about the Coplow,

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and Lord Maynard's Cover some time, and killed a bitch fox in the Coplow, ... 0..1

Then found in the Coplow again, he went away to ground in a drain under the Hill; then found in the Coplow, run there awhile, he went away over the Hill, round Lord Maynard's Cover, almost to Billesdon, back to the Cover, and killed an old dog fox, 0..1

Then tried some Spinneys by Ingersby, we found in Scraftoft Gardens, run awhile there, and killed a bitch fox, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Leicester.

March 1st.—Met at Asfordby with 22 couple, did not hunt on account of frost.

2d.—Met at Asfordby with 22 couple of hounds, we found at Mr. Kent's Thorns, went away through Saxelby Gorse, thro' Dalby Wood, over the Moors, down Shoby Lane, run him to ground in a drain on the road going for Hoby.—40 minutes; then tried Shoby Scholds, did not find, we found in Saxelby Gorse, run awhile in Cover, then went away on the Hills, back through Dalby Wood, then back on the Hills, to the Cover again, run awhile, and killed.—1 hour, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Melon, Warrior, Shark.

3d.—Met at the Lodge at the Wolds House with 20 couple of hounds, we tried Kinoulton Spinney and Gorse, did not find, we found on the Wolds, he went away for Clipston, we lost, very bad scent; we

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then found on the Wolds facing Normanton, run about the Wolds and had a ring round by Cotgrave, back to the Wolds, and lost.—1 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—Denmark, Cocktail, Magog.

March 6th.—Met at Billesdon Coplow with 35 couple of hounds, found, run in the Cover awhile, then went away over the Hill, by Billesdon, by Skeffington, to Skeffington Wood.—40 minutes, he went to ground; then came back and tried all Billesdon Coplow, Lord Maynard's Cover, did not find.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Valiant, Shark.

9th.—Met at Thrussington Wolds with 26 couple of hounds, found, he went away by Shoby Scholds, by Saxelby Gorse, by Wartnaby, by Holwell Mouth, to Clawson Thorns.—40 minutes, he went to ground; another fox stole away from Clawson Thorns, went through Holwell Mouth, down by the Smite, left Clawson to the right, Hose to the left, pointing for Granby, and almost to Langar, turned to the left, leaving Colston Basset to the right, came back by Clawson up to Piper Hole, on the Hills to Eastwell Lane, then the DUKE of RUTLAND's hounds joined us, then hunted by Stathern Wind Mill, on to the next Hill, and lost by their hounds joining of ours.—About 2 hours running.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Warrior.

11th.—Met at Widmerpool with 22 couple of hounds, we found in the first Cover, run about there some

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time and lost ; then tried the Hickling Covers, did not find, we found in the Old Cover, run there some time, a fox went away by the Barn, then over to Kinoulton, and lost.—1 hour and a half, cool hunting, and very bad scent, the day being very windy.

Horses we rode—Melon, Magog, Denmark.

March 13th.—Met at Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, we tried all the Ashby Pasture Country, and did not find, we found at Cossington Gorse, went away down the Fosse, by Cossington and Sileby, back by the Cover, and lost ; then tried the Cover again, and found, run in the Cover some time, stopt the hounds, the fox would not go away.

Horses we rode—Leicester, Minor, Shark.

15th.—Met at Mr. Boothby's Cover with 20 couple of hounds, we found, went away, left Ruddington to the right, over Bradmore Pasture and Bunny Pasture, through the New Wood, over by Highfield House, near to Rempston, to Mr. Saville's Cover, run about there some time and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Magog, Major.

17th.—Met at Holwell Mouth with 22 couple of hounds, found, and killed directly,..... 0..1

Another fox went away, run him hard round Clawson, up by Piper Hole and Clawson Thorns, to Holwell Mouth, and killed.—50 minutes,..... 0..1

Then found at Kent's Thorns, went away to Wartnaby, then through Saxelby Gorse, by Grimston,

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by Shoby, all the way on the Dry Road to Asfordby, hunted up to him, he run over a House into the Street, then went away, and he went to ground in a Drain, dug him out, he was almost dead, so we killed him, ... 0..1

18th.—Met at Rempston with 20 couple of hounds, found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went away to Fox Hill, Hell Hole, Gotham Hill and Wood, over the Moors, run about that Country for above 3 hours, and lost at Mr. Willoughby's Cover.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Major.—I was not out.

21st.—Met at Langton Cordle, tried there, Stan-Wood, Glooston Wood, Gaddesby Gorse, did not find, went to a Hollow near Glooston Wood, hunted him to Langton Cordle, and lost; then went to Shankton Holt, found, killed in the Cover, ... 0..1

23d.—Met at Walton Holt, tried there, did not find, found in a Gorse in Bosworth Field, went away to Gumley, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in a Gorse near Lawton Hill, & killed. 0..1

25th.—Met at Oadby Turnpike, tried all the Spinneys and Gorses, found at Shankton Holt, went away by Nosely, Langton Cordle, Langton Towns, by Carlton Earths, to Frisby, and went to ground.

27th.—Met at Aylston Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Cover, did not find, found at a Spinney at Braunston, went away by the Frith, thro'

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Martinshaw, part of Steward's Hay, to Sheet Hedges,
and killed.—50 minutes, ... 0..1

Tried Steward's Hay, did not find.

Horses we rode—Melon, Pywell, Minor.

March 30th.—Met at Muckling Wood with 26
couple of hounds, found, run there ten minutes, and
killed, ... 0..1

Tried the Outwoods did not find, found at Bardon
Hill, run there awhile, a fox went away by Whitwick
Nook, then over the Forest, round by Green Hill
Turnpike, a fox went to ground in a rock, got to
another scent, hunted him over the Forest, through
Finney Hill Wood, round by Belton, and killed at
Belton Nook.—1 h. 50 m..... 0..1

The fox that went to ground in a rock was killed,
both bitch foxes, one suckled.

Horses we rode—Major, Leveller, Warrior.

April 1st.—Met at Swithland Wood with 24 couple
of hounds, found in the Wood, run about there, the
Slate Pitts, then went away by Starnell's Gorse,
through Crow Wood, over the Open Field to Rothley,
and he went to ground in a Drain; then found at
Budden Wood, run there awhile, a fox went away
over Swithland Field, through the Wood corner, up
Mapplewell grounds over the Two Hills, back over
Beacon, through the Outwoods and Covers Wood,
back by Thorp, to Budden Wood, and he went to
ground.—1 h. 50 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Shark, Warrior.

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April 3d.—Met at Grooby Hill with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Shaw, went away through Ratby Burrows, Thornton Ruffs, Whittington Ruffs, back through the Shaw and Steward's Hay, Holtergolter, Lee Wood, back through Steward's Hay, we stopt the hounds on the road, it rained so fast.

Horses we rode—Valiant, Minor, Melon.—
J. Raven was not out.

5th.—Met at Swithland Town with 24 couple of hounds, tried Starnell's Gorse, found in Swithland Wood, went away over the Warren, by the Kennel, round most of the Park, back at Old John, to Swithland Wood, and killed—50 m..... 0..1

Hit of a scent at Sand Hills, run about Steward's Hay and Sheet Hedges for awhile, and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Leveller, Warrior,

7th.—Met at Rothley House, tried all the Spinneys, then found in Sheet Hedges, had a ring there, Steward's Hay, then went through Sheet Hedges, over by Ansty, near to Braunston, by Kirkby, to Ratby, and killed.—1 h. 50 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Shark, Valiant.

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 32 Brace, 1 Fox.



August.—Hunted seven times on the Forest side, and killed but one brace of foxes, the weather being very unfavourable. 1..0

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Sept. 18th.—We went to Martinshaw with 40 couple of hounds, run about the Shaw for above 4 hours, and killed 4 foxes,..... 2..0

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Shark.

20th.—We went to Lee Wood with 36 couple of hounds, tried it, but did not find, we found at Steward's Hay run about there, Sheet Hedges, and lost at Grooby House; went to the Shaw, run there some time, a fox came away to Steward's Hay, and we lost, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Denmark.

22d.—Met at Braunston with 24 couple of hounds, found in Hugo's Gorse, run about the Spinneys awhile and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in the Spinneys again, run about the Spinneys, and killed at the Earths, ... 0..1

Then went and tried Stretch Nook, but did not find, we found at Tooley Brake, went away by Ratby Burrows, to the Shaw, got to an old scent, hunted him to Steward's Hay, and lost.

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Leveller, Minor.

26th.—We went to Easton Park with 38 couple of hounds, found in the Park, run about there and the Steppings, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Bradley Wood, run very hard in the Park 40 minutes, and lost.

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Dixon.

28th.—We went to Easton Common with 35 couple

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of hounds, found on the Common, went away to the Park, run about there, Bradley Wood, the Steppings, to the Park.—3 h. 45 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Denmark.

30th.—We went to Stockerston Wood with 32 couple of hounds, tried the Middle Wood, did not find, found upon Easton Common, run about there, and the Park for 1 h. 45 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Major, Cocktail, Dixon.

Oct. 2d.—We went to Allextion Wood with 32 couple of hounds, found an old fox, run about the Wood awhile, he went away to the Chase, so we stopt the hounds; then found in Stockerston Wood, run about there, Allextion, back to the Middle Wood, and killed.—40 m. 0..1

Then tried part of the Park, did not find, found 2 or 3 foxes, run about there, the Park, went away to Holt Wood, and stopt the hounds going into the Park.—running 2 hours.

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Ben.

4th.—Went to Easton Common with 31 couple of hounds, found 2 or 3 foxes in Hallick Spinney, run about the Common and Park awhile, then going for the Chace, stopt the hounds, a fox came away back over the Brook, run him about the Common awhile, he went to the Chace, we stopt the hounds, tried the other part of the Common and Steppings, did not find, found in a Gorse in Holt Closes, run him to the Park.—50 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Shark.

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9th.—Went to Swithland Wood with 30 couple of hounds, found, went away over the Park by Grooby Pool, through the Shaw, by Bondman's Ruff, thro' Whittington Ruff, back through the Shaw, to Rathy Burrows, run there awhile, then went away to the Ruffs, run in Bondman's Ruff some time, and killed.

—2 h. 50 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Leveller, Minor.

10th.—Went to Costock Lings with 22 couple of hounds, found in Bunny New Wood, run about there awhile, stopt the hounds, tried on the Hills, found a brace of foxes in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, run awhile. stopt the hounds; then found in Hell Hole, went away to the New Wood, back over the Hills, to Hell Hole, run there awhile, got to a fresh fox, he went away back over Leak Field, to the Lings, then by Costock, by Highfield House, stopt the hounds at Bunny Old Wood End.

Horses we rode—George, Melon, Denmark.

12th.—Went to Muckling Wood with 32 couple of hounds, tried the Wood, did not find, found in the Outwoods, went away over Beacon Hill, round by Hunger Hill, over Swithland Field, through the Town, over the other Field, going for Cropston, turned to the right to Starnell's Gorse, and killed just by.—40 minutes, ... 0..1

There were hounds running in Swithland Wood, got them together going to Hunger Hill, run there awhile, then came away to Swithland Wood, and lost.

Horses we rode—Major, Magog, Dixon.

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Oct 14th.—Went to Tooley Brake with 30 couple of hounds, found a brace of foxes, run there awhile, they went to ground, tried Stretch Nook, did not find, Lindridge Wood, a fox went away from a rough place near Ratby Burrows, went by the Burrows to the Shaw, run there awhile, hunted a fox away thro' the Old Wood, by Sheet Hedges, to the Park, he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Minor, Needham.

17th.—Met at Bradley Kennel with 24 couple of hounds, tried Thornley's and Gerrard's Gorses, Cooper's Bog, did not find, found on Shirley Common, went away through the Park, and back over the Common, through Joshua's Ruff, and killed near Whitworth's.—50 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Shark, Ben.

18th.—Tried the Gorse Covers and Bogs with the young hounds, to rate them from hare.

19th.—Met at Bradley Kennel with 30 couple of hound, tried the Plantations round Bog, Burrows Wood, Long Spinney, some Bog near Mercaston, found in Ramsden Park, went away to Kedleston Park, and lost.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Dixon.

24th.—Went to Easton Park with 37 couple of hounds, found in the Park, run about there half an hour and lost; then found on the Common run about there and the Park, went away through Holt Wood,

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to Stockerston Park Wood, the hounds parted, both parts went to the Chace, some young hounds hunted a deer, stopt them, and got them together; then found in Hallick Spinney, went away to the Chace, then over part of the Brand, through Stoke Town, to Liddington Field, and lost.

Horses we rode—Minor, Magog, Denmark.

Oct. 26th.—Went to the Chace with 24 couple of hounds, found in Wardley Sail, run about the Chace some time, changed foxes several times, and lost; the hounds were very quiet among the deer.

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Melon, Dixon.

28th.—Went to the Chace with 34 couple of hounds, tried all up the Chace, found in Wardley Sail, run about the Chace some time, then went away to Allextown Town with a bad scent, back up to the Wood, got to a fresh fox, he went away to the Chace, we had been running about 4 hours, when we stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Minor, Melon, Major.

31st.—Went to Muckling Wood with 39½ couple of hounds, we did not find there or at the Outwoods, we found on a Rock near the Outwoods, went thro' the Outwoods, over Beacon Hill, over Mapplewell Grounds, to Sand Hills, and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Shark.

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Nov. 2d.—Met at Crow Wood with 32 couple of hounds, tried there and Bazzel, did not find, found Budden Wood, run there awhile, and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Leveller, Dixon.

Nov. 4th.—Went to John's Gate with 22 couple of hounds, we found at the Gorse at the Stoney Wells, he went away through Lee Wood, then over part of the Forest, through Sand Hills, Lee Wood, by Pilgrim's, over the Forest to Woodhouse Eaves, and lost.—1 hour.

Horses we rode—Major, Magog, Denmark.

6th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 24 couple found in the Old Cover, run about there nearly an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Shoby Scholds, went away over the Lane, almost to Grimston, back almost to the Wolds, a ring round by Six Hill, and killed pointing back for the Wolds.—25 minutes, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Cocktail, Warrior.

8th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 24 couple tried the Old Cover, did not find, found at the Scholds against the Lane, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Then found 3 or 4 brace of foxes at Saxelby Gorse, run there awhile, went away on the Hills almost to Holwell Mouth, turned down to the left to Nether Broughton, and killed.—40 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Leveller, Leicester,

10th.—Went to Widmerpool Old Cover with 24

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couple, found a great many foxes, run about the Cover for some time, and killed, ... 0..1

Had a ring round by the Fosse, then went away over Plumtree Wolds, by Normanton, by Debdale, by Ranceliff, down Bunny Field, by the Decoy, over the Field to Leak Hills, and killed.—The run nearly an hour, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Shark,

Nov. 11th.—Went to Prestwold with 22 couple of hounds, found at the Broom, went away round by Hoton, Mare Hill Spinney, Cotes, Stanford, through the Bog, by Hoton Hills to Fox Craft, and he went to ground.—1 hour; then found at Mr. Savi-ville's Cover, run about there, the Park, stopt the hounds. such a thick mist.

Horses we rode—Major, Melon, Denmark.

13th.—Went to Mr. Kent's Thorns with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away directly over Welby Grounds, over the Holders, by Holwell and the Mouth, by Clawson Thorns, Goadby Park, to Garthorp Gorse, and killed.—1 h. 26 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Driver.

15th.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, found in Frisby Gorse, had a burst to Brooksby for 40 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Then went and found in Haines's Gorse, run about the Pasture awhile, then went away by Ashby, over the Field, over Bagrave Earths, through Newton, over Tilton Hill, pointing for Skeffington, turned to

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the left to Tilton Wood, supposed to go to ground, tho' I believe he was killed, but the hounds left him.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Leveller, Warrior.

17th.—Went to Widmerpool Old Cover with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away over the Hickling Hill, between the Broughtons, over the Hill to Saxelby Gorse, went away directly by Wartnaby, Holwell Mouth, Clawson Thorns, to the farther end of Piper Hole, back to this end, then over the Grounds to Goadby Park, and he went to ground, above two hours.

Horse we rode—George, Magog, Denmark.

18th.—Met at Cossington Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away to Ratcliff, back by Cossington, by Sileby, back to the Cover, run there awhile, then went away to Seagrave, and killed, . . . 0..1
Run another fox in the Cover, bad scent, came home.

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Melon, Dixon.

20th.—Went to Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of Hounds, found, run in the Cover awhile, then went away on the Hills with a bad scent, he went to ground in Holwell Mouth, found a lease of foxes in the bottom part, had two rings to Clawson Thorns and back, lost at Clawson Thorns; the weather being unfavourable we came home.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Leicester.

22d.—Went to Clifton Gardens with 20 couple of hounds, found, run about the Gardens, the Town,

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and Long Walk, nearly 2 hours, and killed a brace
of foxes, ... 1..0

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Shark.

Nov. 24th.—Could not hunt on account of frost,
at Widmerpool.

25th.—Ditto, at Walton Thorns.

27th.—Went to Syston with 22 couple of hounds,
found in a Little Gorse near the Wind Mill, went
away to Barkby Holt, then over Croxton Fields, to
Gaddesby, and killed,—about 40 minutes,..... 0..1

Then went to the Holt again, run about there
awhile, stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Cocktail, Denmark.

29th.—Went to Walton Thorns, but did not hunt
on account of snow.

Dec. 1st.—Went to Budden Wood with 42 couple
of hounds, found 4 or 5 foxes, run about the Wood
awhile, a fox went away by Quorn, almost to Muck-
ling Wood, stopt the hounds, a deal of snow.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Ben, Dixon.

2d.—Did not hunt on account of water.

2d.—Went to Swithland Wood with 39 couple of
hounds, found, went away over the Forest, through
Mapplewell Grounds, over by the Slate Pits, and
lost near the Town; then tried the Wood, did not
find, found in Starnell's Gorse, went away through

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Swithland Wood, over Mapplewell Grounds, back by the Slate Pits, through the Wood and Gorse, Crow Wood, and lost at the Mill.

Dec. 5th.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, tried all the Frisby Covers, did not find, found in Haines's Gorse, run about the Cover and Ashby Pasture awhile, then went away over Burrow Hill almost to Leesthorp, and he went to ground in a Spinney.—20 m.—Burst.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Dixon.

6th.—Went to Walton Thorns with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Old Cover, and killed directly, 0..1

A fox went away by Thrussington Wolds, by Ragdale, through Shoby Scholds, then on the Lane to the Meadow, on the Road by Six Hill, then by the Lane, almost to Burton, then up the Road, almost to Walton Thorns, and lost.

Horses we rode—Minor, Leveller, Denmark.

8th.—Went to Widmerpool Big Cover with 20 couple of hounds, found, run about the Cover awhile, went away by Kinoulton Town, by Othorpe Gorse, almost to Clipston, round Cotgrave, up by the Navigation, over Cropwell Field and Lings, by Othorpe Earths to the Town, and killed.—2 hours,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Driver, Magog, Shark.

9th.—Went to Costock with 22 couple of hounds, tried over the Lings and New Wood, and on the Hills, did not find, found near to Hell Hole, went

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away over Leak Hills, and over the Field to Stanford Park, then over by Rempston, almost to Costock, to Mr. Goodere's Cover, got up to him there, then went away by the Old Wood, over the Round Hill to Keyworth Pasture, turned to the left, and killed near the Brook, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Warrior.

Dec. 11th.—Went to Mr. Kent's Thorns with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away near Welby, turned to the right, hounds parted, run one to ground at Asfordby, lost the other at Saxelby; then found at Saxelby Gorse, went away over the Vale between Old Dalby and Broughton, by Widmerpool Barn & Town, over Wysall Field, through the Town, over by Thorpe Earths, by Rempston, almost to Costock, to Stanford Park, he went to ground.—1 h. 20 m. —Many of the horses being tired.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Lawyer.

13th.—Went to Alsop's House with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Old Cover, run there awhile, a fox went away pretty hard to Wimeswould Town, then hunted him near Prestwould, then over the grounds almost to Walton Thorns, got to him in the Cover, went away near to Six Hill, turned to the left near to Wimeswould, to Burton, and lost.—45 m.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Leveller, Warrior.

15th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn, with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away near Willoughby over

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the New Enclosure, by Old Dalby, up to the Hill, then by Nether Broughton to Clawson, came to a Check, hunted him round the Town going for Piper Hole, stopt the hounds, it rained so fast.—55 minutes to the Check, no person with the hounds.

Horses we rode—Driver, Magog, Denmark.

16th.—Met at Keyworth Pasture with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away to the Old Wood, and lost, the wind being very high; then tried Ranciff, Blackcliff, Debdale, Plumtree Gorses, did not find; found at Keyworth Pasture, went away through, Bunny Park, to Ranciff, run about there awhile, so bad a scent, we lost him.

Horses we rode—Minor, Melon, Shark.

18th.—Went to Barkby Holt with 22 couple of hounds, a fox went away, hunted him over the Brook, by Croxton, over the New Inclosure, almost to Ashby, back up to Barsby, hunted up to him, run him very hard to the Ash Spinney, near Brooksby, and killed.—45 minutes. Tried some Spinneys, did not find.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Warrior..... 0..1

20th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away by Ragdale, over the Scholds, by Grimston, through Dalby Wood, near to Saxelby Gorse, to the Drain near Grimston, and went to ground.—35 m. Then tried Shoby Lane, the Scholds, came to Thrussington Wolds again, and found, run some time in the Cover, then went away by Ragdale, to the Scholds, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Minor, Butcher, Dixon.

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Dec. 22d.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple of hounds, had a ring near the Barn, then went away through the Cover, over by Willoughby, through Alsop's Cover, by Thorp Earths, the hounds parted between Rempston and Wimeswould; John with 6½ couple of hounds run their fox to ground in a Drain at a Barn near Walton Thorns, the other hounds went by Rempston, Hoton, near Prestwould, Hoton Hill, through Stanford Park, and Mr. Saville's Cover, over the Lings to Leak Field, and lost.

Horses we rode—Driver, Cocktail, Warrior.

23d.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found, run awhile in Cover, then went away by Ratcliff, by Cossington, Sileby, Seagrave, over the New Enclosure, to Thrussington, by Rearsby Mill, to Ratcliff Town, and killed.—1 h. 40 m. . . 0..1

Horses we rode,—Hack Mare, Melon, Shark.

26th.—Went to Asfordby with 22 couple of hounds, found in Kent's Thorns, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Then tried the Stone Pits, and on the Hills, did not find, found in Dalby Wood, went away over the Hill, round Dalby Town, back over the Hills, thro' Saxelby Gorse, by Grimston, to Shoby Lane; 32 m. then came to cool hunting, back over the Lane, pointing back for the Drain, and lost; then found in Saxelby Gorse, run there awhile, went away to the Drain, to ground.

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Warrior.

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27th.—Went to Walton Thorns with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away to Alsop's Cover, back by Wimeswould, by Alsop's House, over the Fosse to Thrussington Wolds, run there awhile, then went away by Six Hill, over Dalby Moors, through Dalby Wood, almost to Saxelby Gorse, then back on the Hill, through the Stone Pits, through Holwell Mouth, over the Closes round Clawson Thorns, over the Valley, through the Stone Pits, to Dalby Wood; stopt the hounds on this side the Wood.—4 hours, many of the horses were tired.

Horses we rode—Minor, Leveller, Denmark.

Dec. 29th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple of hounds, did not try the Cover, found in Broughton Gorse, went away through the first Hickling Cover, by Over Broughton, run to ground in a Drain near the Fosse.—25 minutes.—Then found in the Cover next the Road, and killed directly,..... 0..1

Then found in Parson's Gorse, went away over the Hill, by Nether Broughton to the Stone Pits, then over the Road, leaving Holwell Mouth all to the right, then almost to Clawson Thorns, turned to the left at the top, then to the right by the Holdens, then to the left, and killed near Melton Spinney.—

1 h. 5 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Driver, Warrior, Dixon.

30th.—Went to Clifton Gardens with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away by the Long Walk, turned to the right at the bottom, then on the Brook to

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Gotham Pasture, then over the Brook, up by the Brook Side, back over the Brook to Gotham Town, then came to cool hunting, over the Field, over the Hills to the Gorse facing the Old Cover, got near to him, went away to Mr. Chamberlain's Gorse, run there awhile, then went away pointing for Red Hill, turned back over the Gorse to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, through Fox Hill, over the Earths to Hell Hole, back to Fox Hill, and lost.—3 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—Melen, Shark, Hinchley's Horse.

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Jan. 1st.—Went to Widmerpool Big Cover with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away pointing for Hickling, and lost; then found in the Cover again, run there awhile, went away to the New Cover, then went away through Alsop's Cover, by Alsop's House, then over the New Enclosure, by Dalby, by Over Broughton, to Parson's Gorse, then to the first Hickling, changed foxes, went away over the Hill by Nether Broughton, and lost near Clawson, running 3 hours and a half.

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Valiant.

3d.—Went to Hell Hole with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away by Mr. Willoughby's Cover, thro' Gotham Wood, Chamberlain's Cover, turned to the left back by Cragg Spinney, through Fox Hill, to Hell Hole; then went to Mr. Willoughby's Cover,

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found, went away over Gotham Hill, almost to Kingston, back by Normanton, to Stanford Park, almost to Rempston; some of the hounds run a hare, stopt them, then went to Stanford Park, got close to a fox, went away over Leak Lings, over the Field to Hell Hole, by Mr. Willoughby Cover, stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Butcher, Denmark.

Jan. 5th.—Went to Walton thorns with 20 couple of hounds, tried the New Cover and Plantation, did not find, found in the Gorse near Thrussington Wolds, went away by Ragdale, over by Shoby Scholds and Lane, almost to Asfordby, hunted up to the fox at Frisby, came away in view by Ragdale, by Thrussington Wolds, by Walton Thorns, over the Field, through Walton Town, by Barrow, by Quebec House, round Seagrave, up to Walton Thorns, and he went to ground.—3 hours all but 6 minutes.

Horses we rode—Minor, Leveller, Tot Henchley's Bay Horse.

6th.—Went to Cotes Turnpike with 20 couple of hounds, tried Mare Hill Spinney, Prestwoud Spinners, Fox Craft, the Bog, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, had a ring round by Rempston, near Hoton, back to the Park, run about the Park and Lings awhile, and lost.

Horses we rode—Lawyer, Melon, Dixon.

8th.—Went to Widmerpool by Cover, did not hunt on account of frost.

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15th.—Went to Widmerpool by Cover with 22 couple of hounds, found 3 foxes, run about the Cover one hour and ten minutes, then went away, run him to ground in a Drain at Kinoulton, bolted him, and killed directly; the run 15 minutes,..... 0..1

Then tried Kinoulton Gorse, did not find, found on the Wolds, went away round Clipston Town, back over the Wolds, by Kinoulton Gorse, by Owthorp, over Cropwell Wolds, back over the Wolds, by Normanton, by Clipston Gorse, over by the Thick Hedge, to the Navigation Bridge going for Colston Basset, and lost.—1 h. 55 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Driver, Magog, Denmark.

17th.—Went to Ayleston Gorse with 22 couple of Hounds, tried the Gorse, all Whetston Gorses, Narborough Bog, and Enderby Warren and Spinneys, all Braunston Spinneys, and did not find, blank day.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Shark.

19th.—Went to Scraftoft Spinney with 24 couple of hounds, tried the Gardens and Spinneys, did not find, found 3 or 4 foxes at the Coplow, went away directly over the Hill pointing for Tilton Wood, turned to the left hand by Tilton Town, over Halstead Field, by the Bog, almost to Owston Wood, turned to the right to Laund Big Wood, run there awhile, and killed.—In all 55 m. very hard, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Dixon.

22d.—Went to Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found, run there awhile, went away almost

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to Wartnaby, the hounds got a view of him, came back through the Spinneys, through the Cover almost to Grimston, through Dalby Wood, back by Grimston, to the Cover, and killed.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

Then tried the Stone Pits and on the Hills, found in Holwell Mouth, went away by Holwell, round Kettleby, by Kent's Thorns, to the Stone Pits, had a bad scent to Wartnaby, then went away to a Hollow above the Town, hunted him away through Holwell Mouth, Claxton Earths, by the Town, by Hose and Harby, and lost, pointing for Langor.—2 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—George, Leveller.

Mr. Forester out.

Jan. 24th.—Went to Alsop's House with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Old Cover, went away over Thorp Earths, to Mr. Goodere's Cover, then to Rempston, & killed in Mr. Goodere's Garden.—33 m. 0..1

Then found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away to Alsop's Cover, then by the Brook Side, over part of Wysall Field, by Widmerpool Town, over the Field, Keyworth Pasture, to the Old Wood, back over the Round Hill, Keyworth Pasture, to Bunny Park, Rancliff, back to the Park Corner, and killed.—1 h. 35 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Denmark, Mr. Forester out.

26th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 26 couple of hounds, found, came away with a scent to the Town, did no good with it, then went back and hunted a scent away over by Hickling Covers, to the

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Town, back near Kinoulton, back by the Big Cover, round near the New Cover, by Hickling Covers, and lost pointing to Big Cover.

Horses we rode—Shark, Magog, Driver.

Jan. 29th.—Went to Brooksby with 20 couple of hounds, found in the first Frisby Gorse, went away for Frisby, turned to the left, by Brooksby Gate, almost to Rearsby, by Thrussington, almost to Cossington Cover, turned to the right through part of Thrussington Wolds, round Six Hill, down by the Brook over Walton Field, through the Town, near to Barrow, turned to the right over the Fields, over Prestwould Lane, by Burton, to a Drain, and he went to ground, the hounds parted at Thrussington Wolds; Mr. Henton brought $5\frac{1}{2}$ couple more.—1 h. 50 m.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Totts Horse.

31st.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Cover, did not find, found at the first Gorse at Thrussington Wolds, went away by Ragdale, Shoby, near to Asfordby, by Welby, by Holwell, by Sealford, by Waltham, between Garthorp and Sausby, pointing for Woodall Head, turned to the left, went away to Buckminster, and lost.—3 h.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Butcher.

Feb. 2d.—Went to Widmerpool Big Cover with 22 couple of hounds, run about there and the Little Cover for 50 minutes, then went away, leaving the Hickling Covers to the left hand, and Hickling Town,

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pointing for Clawson, turned to the left down by Colston Basset, left Langer to the right, down to Whatton, and joined a pack of Beagles, so we stopt them.—1 h. 40 m.

Horses we rode—Shark, Leveller, Dixon.

Feb. 3d.—Went to Mr. Saville's Cover and found, run about there 45 minutes, and he went to ground; then found near the Old Church Yard, went up to the Cover, had a ring about the Park, and killed in the Cover, ... 0..1

Then found at Hell Hole, went away by Fox Hill, through Mr. Willoughby's Cover, over Leak Hills, by Costock Leas and Town, to Stanford Park, then went away over Stanford Earths, round by Buckleys to the Stone Pits, came to a Check, did not hit of him till we came to Mr. Saville's Cover, then went to Stanford Earths, and killed.—2 h. 40 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Tott, Denmark.

5th.—Met at Barkby Holt with 24 couple of hounds, found a brace of foxes, run awhile in Cover, went away to Beeby, got heel of the other fox, back to the Cover, and lost; then found in Baggrave Spinneys, went away by Quenby Hall, by Keyham, Beeby, through the Holt, up by the Brook, by Baggrave House, to the Earths, and he went to ground.—40 minutes, very hard.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Driver.

7th.—Went to Walton Thorns with 22 couple of Hounds, found, went away through the Square

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Spinney, to Thrussington New Cover, back by Walton Thorns, over the Grounds, round Burton Town, back to Walton Thorns, one hour and 20 minutes, run one hour in Cover; then went away through both Thrussington Wolds, back to Walton Thorns, stopt the hounds, such a bad scent in the Cover.—In all 3 hours and a half.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Dixon.

Feb. 9th.—Met at Widmerpool Barn with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away over the Lands for the Town, back through the Short Gorse, by Hickling Covers, over the Hill near Over Broughton, to the Brook, a hare got up, *Susan* and *Clara* run, but soon stopt, we lost the fox, three quarters of an hour; then found at the Big Cover, went away by the Hickling Covers next the Road, through Over Broughton, pointing for Dalby Wood, then to the left hand through the Stone Pits, almost to Wartnaby Town, through Holwell Mouth, to Clawson Thorns, very hard, and he went to ground.—1 h. 4 m.

Horses we rode—Leveller, Denmark, Ben.

10th.—Went to Rempston with 20 couple of hounds tried Mr. Saville's Cover, did not find, found at Hell Hole, went away through Fox Hill, Mr. Willoughby's Cover, back through Hell Hole, Fox Hill, Cragg Spinney, through Gotham Wood, back over the Hills, through Fox Hill, Hell Hole, over Leak Field to Stanford Earths, back to Stanford Park, and killed.

—1 h. 40 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Driver.

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Feb. 12th.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, found in the farthestmost Frisby Gorse, went away near to Kirkby, by Sysonby Mill, by Melton, changed foxes, went away with a cold scent over the Drains, by Great Dalby, over Burrow Hill, to Somerby, and lost.

Horses we rode—Shark, Butcher, Mr. Wright's Horse.

14th.—Went to Alsop's House with 22 couple of hounds, tried Alsop's Cover, Mr. Goodere's Cover, Round Hill, Keyworth Pasture, Ranciff, Debdale, Plumtree Gorse, did not find, found at Blackcliff, run about there, Debdale, for about an hour, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Chesnut Mare.

16th.—Went to Mr. Kent's Thorns with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away a little below the Thorns, the Gentlemen over rode the hounds, the fox headed short back by the Thorns, went away to Saxelby Gorse, and killed, ... 0..1

Then a fox went away round Grimston, by the bottom of Dalby Wood, round the Town, back towards the Wood, and lost; then went and tried Holwell Mouth and Thorns, did not find; the day being very stormy and snow.

Horses we rode—George, Melon, Mr. Henton's Horse.

17th.—Was to have hunted at Costock, but could not on account of frost.

19th.—Went to Syston, did not hunt on account of frost.

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Feb. 23d.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 20 couple of hounds, found, run about the Big Cover for 1 hour and 20 minutes, and killed; bad riding, we came home. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Melon, Dixon,

24th.—Went to Costock with 20 couple of hounds, tried the New Wood, did not find, we found at Stocking Hole, near Hell Hole, went away down Gotham Moor, came back near the Decoy, through the New Wood and Old Wood, by the Round Hill, over Keyworth Pasture, over the Field by Debdale, on Plumtree Field, turned to the right over Norman-ton Wolds, to the Little Gorse.—1 h. 5 m. run 22 minutes in Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Magog, Denmark.

26th.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, tried all the Frisby Gorses, did not find, found in Haines's Gorse a brace of foxes, went away to the Pasture, came back through Haines's Gorse, over Mr. Black's Drains, by Ashby, over the New Enclosure, by Baggrave Earths to Newton, then over the Hill near Tilton, through the Wood, Skeffington and Tugby Woods, over by Norton to Hallaton Fern, 1 hour and 3 quarters, very hard, and lost. I believe he was killed by a cur.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Mr. Henton's Cropt Horse.

28th.—Went to Saxelby Gorse with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away down the Hill by both the Broughtons, almost to Hickling Gorse, on the

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top of Hickling Hill, by the Town, almost to Clawson, by Holwell Mouth and the Stone Pits, went to ground in a Drain at a Barn, bolted him, then went away to Saxelby Gorse, went away from the Cover to the Hollow Tree in Burton Grounds, a brace of foxes in the Tree, killed both, ... 1..0

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Dixon.

March 2d.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away by Hickling Gorses and the Town, near to Over Broughton, round Nether Broughton, on the bottom of the Hill, then up the Road, through the Spinney, by Wartnaby, and lost.—1 h. 45 m. tried Holwell Mouth, did not find, found in Mr. Kent's Thorns, and killed 1 fox directly, ... 0..1

Another went away pointing for Welby, then by Saxelby Town, almost to Shoby, then round Asfordby, by Kirkby, round Ashby Pasture & Haines's Gorse, left them to the right, came away pointing for Kirkby, then left Great Dalby to the right, over Garthorp Hill, by the Pond to Little Dalby, almost to Burton, back over Garthorp Hill, left Great Dalby to the left, by Collin's Gorse, and killed just by.—2 h. 27 m.—Every horse was tired, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Melon, Denmark.

March 3d.—Went to Grooby Hill with 20 couple of hounds, found in the Shaw, run there awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

The hounds running another fox, went away thro'

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both Ratby Burrows, back to the Shaw, run there awhile, a few hounds got away through the Ruffs, came back to the Shaw, got close to a fox run him hard awhile, and he went to ground; a brace of foxes in the Earth, dug some time, one bolted, and killed him directly, ... 0..1

Turned the other up, run him hard for 15 minutes and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Magog, Chesnut Mare.

5th.—Went to Syston with 20 couple of hounds, found in the Cover, run one hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then went to the Holt and killed directly, ... 0..1

Another went away by Beeby, joined hounds with Sir William Lowther's, went away by Hungerton, by Baggrave, over the Earths by Quenby, back by Hungerton, to the Earths, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Driver, Tott, Mr. Henton's Horse.

6th.—Went to Grooby Hill with 20 couple, found in Lady Hay, had a ring in the Old Wood, went away through the Shaw, and lost; came to a Hollow near the Old Wood, went away to the Shaw, back to the Old Wood, and he went to ground; then found a fox in Sand Hills, went away through Blake Hays, Lee Wood, Cover Clouds, Steward's Hay, Sheet Hedges, to Grooby, and killed.—48 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Cocktail, Dixon, Chesnut Mare.

8th.—Went to Widmerpool Big Cover with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away to the Wolds, round by Clipston, over part of the Wolds to the Little Cover, run there awhile and killed, ... 0..1

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Then tried over the Wolds, Kinoulton Gorse, did not find, found in Row Hee, a bitch fox very big with cub, stopt the hounds; then found in the New Cover, went away over the Field near Widmerpool Town, then over by Hickling Covers, over the Drain near the Fosse, back to Widmerpool New Cover, by Hickling Covers, by Over Broughton, Nether Broughton, Clawson, by the Thorns, by Piper Hole, to Goadby Park, and stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—Minor, Magog, Tott's New Horse, Mrs. Day's Little Grey.

10th.—Went to Clifton Gardens with 20 couple of hounds, tried the Gardens, did not find, found in Mr. Boothby's Cover, went away by Ruddington, through Rancliff and Keyworth Pasture, over Wysall Field, towards Highfield, and lost.

Horses we rode—Driver, Leveller, Chesnut Mare.

12th.—Went to Baggrave House with 20 couple of hounds, tried all the Spinneys, did not find, found one fox at the Coplow, went away on the Hills for Tilton, turned to the left by Loseby, then over Twyford Field, Croxton Field, by Baggrave House, to Barkby Holt, back by Baggrave, by the Spinneys, up the Road for Twyford, over the Field pointing for Owston, turned to the left over Burrow Hill, pointing for Great Dalby, back by Thorp, almost to Ashby, back to Twyford, and killed.—about 3 h. 0..1

Horses we rode—Driver, Tott's Horse, Starky, Dixon.

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March 14th.—Went to Costock with 20 couple of hounds, tried over the Hills, Mr Willoughby's Plantation, Gotham Moor, did not find, found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went away by Hell Hole, over Leak Hills, by Highfield, to the Old Wood, and killed.—35 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Chesnut Mare.

16th.—Went to Burrow Clift with 24 couple of hounds, tried the Cover, did not find, tried Ashby Pasture and the Gorse below, did not find, found in Haines's Gorse, went away through the Pasture to Thorp Thrustles, such a very bad scent, we lost; then tried all Frisby Gorses and Spinneys by the Wreak, did not find.

Horses we rode—George, Valiant, Denmark.

19th.—Went to Carlton Earths with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Willow Beds, did not find, found at Shankton Holt, went away by Noseley, Rolleston Wood, over the Highfield Earths, through Tugby Wood, the Rhenish, Laund Wood, by the Abbey, through the Park Wood, by Burgesses Lodge, over by the Gorses to the Chace, had 2 or 3 scents, stopt the hounds at Stoke End.—Above 2 hours.

Horses we rode—Shark, Magog, Melon.

21st.—Went to Langton Cordle with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Cordle, and killed a bitch fox directly, ... 0..1

Then found in Stanton Wood, went away through Glooston Wood, Fallow Closes, by Hallaton, Blas-

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ton, to Stockerston Middle Wood, and killed, 35 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Minor, Denmark, Mr. Tott's Brown Horse.

March 23d.—Went to Walton Holt with 22 couple of hounds, tried there, did not find, found at the further part of Laughton Hills, came away almost to the Earths, and killed.—5 minutes, ... 0..1

Then found in the same Cover again, run about the Gorses, on the Hills awhile, went away to Marston Wood, and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Loadstone, Dixon.

27th.—Went to Grooby Hill with 24 couple of hounds, found in the Shaw, hounds in 2 or 3 parts, got them together, went away to Steward's Hay, run there awhile, then went away to the Park, and lost at the Kennel; then found in Swithland Wood, run there awhile, went away to Starnell's Gorse, run there awhile and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Tott's Brown Horse, Newley.

29th.—Went to Grooby Hill with 22 couple of hounds, tried the left part of the Shaw, did not find, found in the Lower Wood at Ratby Burrows, went away thro' the Thornton Ruffs, Whittington Ruff, to the Shaw, run there awhile, changed foxes, went away by Lady Hay, over the Broom Hill to the Park, through the Round Spinney, over Old John Hill, on the Forest, down by Swithland Wood Side, by

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Starnells Gorse, by Cropston, back over the Warren, changed foxes, went to a Hollow in the Park at the Monument, then went away down the Park to the Broom Hill, then through Lady Hay, Grooby Town, by Ratby, down by the Brook for two miles, then turned to the left pointing for Stretch Nook, then turned short back to Barrens Park and killed.—In all 3 h. 18 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Minor, Leveller, Loadstone.

March 31st.—Went to Bradgate Kennel with 24 couple of hounds, found in Blake Hays, had a ring there, then went away to Lee Wood, run there awhile, went away to Ulverscroft Abbey, and went to ground in a Drain; then found at the Gorse above the Stoney Wells, went away through Lee Wood, to the Lawn, back through Cover Clouds, to Lee Wood, then went away over part of the Forest, through the Gate at Old John, through the Park and through the Spinney, near to Sheet Hedges, and to Sheet Hedges, over the Ling Hill, through Lady Hay, Steward's Hay, back to Lee Wood, and he went to ground, dug him out, run to John's Lees, and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Scarificator, Driver.

April 2d.—Went to Muckling Wood with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Wood, the Outwoods, Carver's Wood, did not find, the day being stormy, came home.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Melon, Dixon.

3d.—Went to Newtown Linford with 22 couple of

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hounds, found a leash of foxes in Markfield Lane Gorse, went into Hay Day Hay, back thro' Steward's Hay, back through Cover Clouds, by Pilgrim's, to Lee Wood, and killed.—37 m..... 0..1

Then tried the Gorses, did not find, found in Steward's Hay, went away through Lady Hay, over the Hill to Newtown, back to Ansty, and he went to ground, bolted him, went away through Sheet Hedges, over the Closes, by Bottlecork Hall, to John's Lees, back to Steward's Hay, over by Newtown, to John's Lees, and he went to ground.—1 h. 20 m.

Horses we rode—George, Magog, Newbeth.

April 5th.—Went to Merry Leas with 20 couple of hounds, tried the first Cover, did not find, a fox went away from the side of the other Cover, pointing for Bagworth, turned to the left by Nailston, to the Wiggs, had two rings, then came away by the Town, over the Turnpike Road to Cadeby, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Minor, Melon, Dixon.

7th.—Went to Budden Wood with 26 couple of hounds, found, run about the Wood awhile, then went away for Rothley, came back near to the Plain, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Bazzel, run him 13 minutes, and he went to ground in Budden; then tried Hunger Hill, found in Swithland Wood, had two rings in the Wood, went away over part of the Forest to Hunger Hill, went away to Swithland Town, and killed a bitch fox that suckled, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Leveller, Driver.

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9th.—Went to Bardon Hill with 24 couple of hounds, found, run there awhile, then went away over the Forest, by Copt Oak to Lee Wood, then went away to Sand Hills, he went to ground, dug him out, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Scarificator.

April 11th.—Went to Old John's Gate, with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Gorse in the Lane, did not find, found in Cover Clouds, run about Lee Wood, Steward's Hay, back, and killed near Lee Wood, 0..1

Then found in Coleman's Close, run about the Woods awhile, then went away to Bardon Hill, then went away for Markfield, back over the Forest, by Copt Oak to Bardon Hill, and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Loadstone, Active.

13th.—Went to Braunstone with 22 couple of hounds, tried all the Spinneys, Stretch Nook, Lindridge Wood, did not find, found in a Spinney beyond Rathby Burrows, went away thro' the Burrows, the Shaw, to Steward's Hay, had 2 or 3 foxes afoot, went away through Hay Day Hay, by Cover Clouds to John's Leas, had a very bad scent, came away to Steward's Hay to some hounds that were running, got to a cold scent, hunted it awhile, and lost; got the hounds together and came home.

Horses we rode—Cocktail, Leveller.

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 38 Brace.

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Aug. 27th.—Went to Muckling Wood with 33 couple of hounds, found 2 or 3 foxes, run about the Wood for 45 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare, Dixon.

28th.—Went to Budden Wood with 42 couple of hounds, found a many foxes, run about the Wood a long time, and run a fox to ground.

Horses we rode—Drone, Cocktail, Dixon.

30th.—Went to Martinshaw with 40 couple of hounds, found in the Shaw, run there about half an hour, and he went to ground, dug him out, and killed him at the Earth, ... 0..1

Found again in the Shaw, run nearly an hour, and killed at the Earths, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare, Dixon.

Sept. 1st.—Went to Martinshaw with 40 couple of hounds, found, run awhile, stopt the hounds from going to Steward's Hay, then found in Summerfield's Burrows, run there awhile and killed another fox, ... 0..1

The hounds got to another, run him some time, he went to ground, dug him out, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Drone, Cocktail, Newbeth.

4th.—Went to Martinshaw with 38 couple of hounds, tried the Shaw, all Ratby Burrows, did not find, hounds run a hare, but stopt, tolerable well, we found in Whittington Ruffs, went away to the Earths in the Shaw, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare, Dixon.

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Sept. 5th.—Went to Muckling Wood with 40 couple of hounds, tried the Wood, did not find, then went and tried Bazzel Wood, found, and killed, .. 0..1

Hunted a scent away, stopt the hounds on the Plain.

Horses we rode—Drone, Scarificator, Newbeth.

6th.—Went to Budden Wood with 50 couple of hounds, found, run there awhile, run a fox to ground, dug him out, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Cocktail, Loadstone.

7th.—Went to Budden Wood with 45 couple of hounds, found, run there awhile, and lost; tried Crow Wood, did not find, found in Starnell's Gorse, run there awhile, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

Then found in Swithland Wood, run there awhile, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Drone, Cropt Mare, Tott.

10th.—Went to Steward's Hay with 40 couple of hounds, found, run about awhile, he went to ground; then found in the Reeds, run about Sheet Hedges, Steward's Hay, some time, he went to ground.

Horses we rode—George, Dixon, Scarificator.

12th.—Went to Lee Wood with 42 couple of hounds, tried the Wood, did not find, found in the Stoney Wells, run about there and Lee Wood, half an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in Pilgrim's Wood, run about there, and Lee Wood, for an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Drone, Cocktail, Loadstone.

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Sept. 14th.—Went to Martinshaw with 42 couple of hounds, found, run for half an hour, and killed, 0..1

Then tried Lady Hay, and the Reeds, some hounds found a fox in Sheet Hedges, some of the hounds we thought went away with a Deer to Bradgate Park, stopt them, then found in a Ruff near to Sheet Hedges, went away to Sheet Hedges, run there one hour, he went to ground, dug him out and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Mare, Tott.

15th.—Went to Bradgate Park with 28 couple of hounds, found in the Round Spinney, run about the Park awhile, then hunted over part of the Forest to the Slate Pits, and lost; then found in the Warren, run about there and the Park, went to ground in the Warren, dug him out, and killed,—about one hour, 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Dixon.

17th.—Went to Beacon Hill with 24 couple of hounds, turned up a bag fox, hunted him over the Hill, and on the Hills by the Outwoods, then thro' the Outwoods to Loughborough Park, to the Turnpike Road, and lost.

Horses we rode—Shark, Hack Mare, Newbeth.

19th.—Went to Budden Wood with 42 couple of hounds, found, run about the Wood awhile, some hounds went away by Bazzel, over part of Swithland Field, left Starnell's Gorse to the right, by the Keepers, thro' Newtown, to Steward's Hay, to ground.

Horses we rode—Drone, Cropt Mare, Tott.

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Sept. 21st.—Went to Braunstone with 22 couple of hounds, found in Hugo's Gorse, went away to the Earths and killed.—8 minutes,..... 0..1

Run another about the Spinneys, 10 minutes and killed,..... 0..1

Run another about the Spinneys, 17 minutes and killed,..... 0..1

Run another about the Spinneys, 27 minutes and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Loadstone.

22d.—Went on to the Forest with 26 couple of hounds, tried over the Rock, by the Outwoods, by Five Tree Hill, by Black Brook, Whitwick Rocks, back by Tin Meadow, Timber Hill, Charley Grounds, did not find.

Horses we rode—Shark, Hack Mare, Newbeth,

24th.—Went to the Gorse near Poultney's Wood with 40 couple of hounds, and found, run about the Gorse, Poultney's Wood, Copt Oak, and killed in Poultney's Wood.—32 m..... 0..1

Then found in Copt Oak, went through the Gorse, to Lee Wood, back to the Stoney Wells, and killed.—28 minutes,..... 0..1

Then found in Coleman's Close, went away thro' Poultney's Wood, by Ulverscroft, over the Rock, through Swithland Wood, to the Town, we stopt the hounds.—25 minutes.

Horses we rode—Drone, Cropt Mare, Tott.

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27th.—Went to Easton Park with 36 couple of hounds, tried most of the Park, did not find, went to a Hollow at Bradley Wood, but could not do any good with the scent, we tried the Steppings, a part of the Common, did not find, we found in Marrowbone Hole, came away to the Park, run there a while, one fox went to ground, the hounds then got together, went away by Holt Wood, over by Drayton Hill, Medbourn Pasture, I stopt the hounds near Carlton, they run an hour very hard.

Horses we rode—George, Chesnut Mare, Dixon.

Sept. 29th.—We went to Easton Common with 36 Couple of hounds, we found on the Common, went away to the Park, then went away to Stockerston Wood, run there awhile, went back to the Park, then back to Stockerston Wood again, then went back to the Park, and he went to ground, dug him out, and killed, running 1 h. 35 m. 0..1

Then found 5 or 6 foxes at Drayton Wood, run there awhile, went away to the Park, run about the Park for an hour and a half, very bad scent, and lost.

Horses we rode—Shark, Scarificator, Newbeth.

Oct. 1st.—We went to Allextion Wood, with 34 couple of hounds, found a fox, run there 5 minutes he went away to Stockerston Wood, the hounds parted, most of the hounds went to Easton Park, the fox went to ground; the other hounds were going for the Chase, but we stopt them; then found another fox in the Park, run him about there, Holt Wood, lost him at Medbourn Pasture, a very bad scent.—2 h.

Horses we rode—Drone, Cropt Mare, Loadstone.

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Oct. 3d.—We went to Drayton Hill with 24 couple of hounds, tried the Hill, Easton Park, the Steppings, found at Marrowbone Hole, went away to the Park, run about there, the Common, Blaston Pasture, and he went to ground in the Park.—1 h. 25 m.—dug him out, bolted him, run him very hard in the Park for 15 minutes, and killed him, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Chesnut, Newbeth.

4th.—Went to Wistow amongst the hares.

5th.—Went to the Chace amongst the Deer, did not find a fox.

6th.—Went to Fallow Closes with 24 couple of hounds, we tried the Cover, Hallaton Wood, did not find, we found in Keythorp Spinney, he went away by Hallaton Wood pointing for the Town, turned to the left, over part of the Fern, to Norton, and killed.—22 minutes, ... 0..1

8th.—We went to Marston Wood with 26 couple of hounds, found, run about the Wood for about one hour, he went to ground, some people dug him out, and he was killed, ... 0..1

We found another on the Hills, run him about the Hills and Wood for half an hour, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found another on the Hills, killed directly, 0..1

Then found another fox in some Coleseed, he went away through Marston Wood, thro' Farndon Town, near to Harborough, back by Lubenham, to Marston Wood, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Shark, Chesnut Horse, Dixon.

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10th.—Went to Shankton Holt with 26 couple of hounds, found 4 or 5 foxes, run about the Cover with a bad scent for 3 hours, and killed a fox, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Drone, Scarificator, Tott.

12th.—Went to Braunstone with 22 couple of hounds, tried most of the Spinney before we found, we found in one, he went away by the Earths, thro' Hugo's Gorse, by Kirkby Muxloe, by Ratby, to the Shaw, and he went to ground; found another in the Shaw, run about the Shaw some time, and killed, 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Newbeth.

13th.—Went to the Stoney Wells, found in Poulteney Wood, went away to Lee Wood, run there some time, he went to ground; then found in Coleman's Close, went away by Pilgrim's, and lost directly; tried Copt Oak, did not find.

Horses we rode—Chrystal, Cropt Mare, Hack Mare.

15th.—We went to Beacon Hill, turned up a fox, went away to the Slate Pits, he went to ground in a rock, bolted him, hunted him through Hunger Hill, over Swithland Field and Park, over Rothley Plain to Mountsorrel, and lost; a deal of very cool hunting.

Horses we rode—Drone, Cocktail, Chrystal.

18th.—Met at Bradley Kennel, tried Thornley's Gorse, did not find, found 2 or 3 foxes in Gerrard's Gorse, run there 20 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in the Plantation, went away by Corley, by the Ridge's, by Gamble's and Hough's, near to

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Atlow, back by the Lime Kilns to the Plantation, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Shark, Chesnut Horse, Dixon.

Oct. 19th.—Went out with the young hounds, found in a Bog near the Turnpike, run him awhile, he went to ground in Moreton's Gorse.

20th.—We went to Shirley Park, found, run about there, had a ring by Osmaston, back to the Cover, such a very bad scent we lost; tried on the Common, Joshua's Ruff, did not find.

Horses we rode—Drone, Scarificator, Tott.

22d.—Went to Ravensdale Park, found, went away for Breward's Carr, lost, a very heavy storm; then tried the Park again and Breward's Carr, and some Spinneys, did not find, found in Ireton Ruff, went away through Kedleston Park, Ravensdale Park, to Mansell Park, over by Hulland, by Biggin, thro' Blackwall Carr, and lost going for Brassington.

Horses we rode—Leicester, Chesnut Horse, Dixon.

24th.—Went to Shirley Park, found, run about there some time, then went away near to Osmaston, round by the Cottage, over the Common to Headniston, and lost; then tried the Park again, over the Common, the Plantation and Bogs, did not find.

Horses we rode—Shark, Scarificator, Tott.

26th.—Went to Ravensdale Park, found, went away to a Dumble about a mile, and went to ground; we then tried the Spinney and Kedleston Park, did

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not find, we found in some Turnips by Ireton Ruff, went away through it, by the Park, turned back almost to the Ruff, then down to the Long Spinney, through Kedleston Park, to the Bridge, back over the Park, and through the other Park, down to some Spinneys, hunted up to him, run him hard 8 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Drone, Cropt Mare, Hack Mare.

29th.—Went to Swithland Wood, found, went away through Bradgate Park, to the Old Wood, the hounds parted, one part run a fox to ground in a Drain, the other hounds came back to the Park, some young hounds run a deer, went on to the Forest, a fox crossed us, went away through Sand Hills, Lee Wood, through Pilgrim's Wood, to John's Leas, run there awhile, went to ground; we turned up the fox we got out of the Drain on the Forest, run him awhile and killed in Mapplewell Grounds, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Loadstone.

31st.—Went to Tooley Brake, tried it, and did not find, we found in a Spinney beyond, came back to the Brake, and he went to ground; got to another fox in the Brake, he went away to Peckleton, and we lost him; tried the Spinneys back, and the Brake, Stretch Nook, did not find, found at Mr. Smith's Warren, went away by Narborough Bog, through Countesthorp, by Peatling, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Dixon.

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Nov. 2d.—Went to Widmerpool Row Hoe, with 22 couple of hounds, found, run about there for some time, and killed a brace of foxes, ... 1..0

Then went and found on the Wolds, run about the Wolds above half an hour, and killed,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Horse, Newbeth.

3d.—Went to Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Turnips and Spinneys, the Bog, did not find, we found at Mr. Saville's Cover, run one to ground; then went away with another over the Lings, by Costock, over Leak Hills, by the Dumble, to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, got close to him, went away by Little Leak, to Sutton, back by Little Leak, over by Fox Hill Earths, to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, and stopt the hounds; they were running nearly 3 hours.

5th.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, we tried the Spinneys going for Frisby Gorse, found in Frisby Gorse, came away to Brooksby, then went by Rotherby, to Frisby Gorse, then went away for the Ash Spinney, and killed.—40 minutes,..... 0..1

Then tried the Spinneys about Frisby & Rotherby, did not find, we found in a Osier Bed near Brooksby Hall, went away to Frisby Gorse, back near to Frisby, turned to the right almost to Kirkby, down to Asferdby, up by the side of the River, almost to Kirkby, and killed.—27 minutes, very hard,..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Cocktail, Tott.

7th.—Went to Normanton on the Wolds with 26 couple, found on the Wolds, run about there one

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hour, and lost; then found in another part of the Wolds, run awhile, went away by the Lodge, on the Wolds House, by Kinoulton Gorse, round Row Hoe, to Stanton, back very hard, round Row Hoe, to Stanton again, then on to the Wolds, and lost at the Fosse.

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Dixon.

9th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, found, went away, they over rode the hounds directly, came and found another fox in the Cover, went away over Broughton Grounds, pointing for Broughton, by Old Dalby, over the Moor, by the Guide Post, at Shoby Lane, by the Scholds, by Ragdale, to Thrussington Wolds, and killed, 42 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Drone, Cropt Mare, Newbeth.

10th.—Went to Bradgate Park with 28 couple, tried over the Park and part of the Sand Hills, did not find, we found in Blake Hays, went away through Lee Wood, by Ulverscroft, over the Forest, through Sand Hills, Steward's Hay, Martins Hay, back thro' Steward's Hay, Sheet Hedges, to Bradgate Park, had two or three rings there, run him to ground, dug him out and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Morwick, Hack Mare.

12th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 24 couple of hounds, found several foxes, run about the Cover awhile, a fox went away by Six Hill, we stopt the hounds, then found in the Cover again, run there awhile, then went away down to Lewin's Farm, back to the New Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

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Then went and found in Mr. S. Henton's Turnips, went away by Shoby, Grimston, by Dalby Wood, over Shoby Lane and Scholds, by Ragdale, pointing for Hoby, back by Shoby, to Grimston, back by Shoby Scholds, pointing for Hoby, almost to Asfordby, back between Shoby and Grimston, over Shoby Lane, to the Scholds, we had 3 or 4 foxes a foot, so we stopt the hounds.—1 h. 45 m.—In general very hard, a many horses tired.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Tott.

14th.—Went to Walton Thorns with 22 couple of hounds, found in the Old Cover, went away by Thrussington Wolds, by Ragdale, almost to Shoby, he went to ground in a Drain; then tried Shoby Scholds, did not find, found in Thrussington Wolds, went away for Ragdale, turned to the right by Mr. Lewins's, then went away down to the Wreak, back by Hoby, by Ragdale, by Shoby Scholds, back to the Wolds, then went away to Hoby, back to Ragdale, and lost, they were running 3 h. 38 m.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Driver, Dixon.

16th.—Went to Widmerpool Roe Hoe with 22 couple, found, went away by the Town, over Keyworth Pasture, by Rancliff, Debdale, Blackcliff, over Plumtree Field to Mr. Boothby's Cover, very good hunting, hunted up to him there, then came away over Plumtree Field, by the Gorse, into Keyworth Field, up the Road to Stanton, to Row Hoe, run there awhile with a very bad scent, and lost him there; in all 4 h. 48 m.

Horses we rode—George, Morwick, Newbeth.

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Nov. 17th.—Went to Saxelby with 22 couple of hounds, found, had 2 or 3 rings on the Hills, back to the Cover, run there 1 h. 12 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Mare, Hack Mare.

19th.—Went to Barkby Holt with 24 couple of hounds, found 3 or 4 foxes, run there awhile, then went away by Beeby to Scraftoft, coming back, went to ground in a Drain in Clark's Close, running 53 m.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Cocktail, Tott.

21st.—Went to Alsop's House, did not hunt on account of frost; went with 40 couple of hounds to Muckling Wood, did not find, came home.

23d.—Went to Mr. Kent's Thorns with 24 couple, found, went away by Welby, back by Asfordby, Saxelby, to Dalby Wood, and lost; found in a Gorse before we got to Saxelby Gorse, went away to Bishop's Drain, to ground.

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare, Newbeth.

24th.—Went to Rempstone with 26 couple, found in Mr. Saville's Cover, went away over the Lings, almost to the Stone Pits, down to Stanford Earths, hounds parted, they came away over Loughborough Meadows, by the Town, by the Navigation to Quorn, and lost in Elliot's Yard, the other hounds stopt, then found in Budden Wood, run about there for 2 hours and a half, and lost.

Horses we rode—Shark, Morwick, Loadstone.

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Nov. 26th.—Went to Rearsby, could not hunt on account of frost.

27th.—Went to Rearsby with 24 couple of hounds, tried all the Spinneys, did not find, we found a fox in a bank near the Wreak, the day being very stormy, we lost him and came home.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Chrystal,

28th.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 24 couple found, went away over the Fosse back, then by Sea-grave, over Walton Field, by Burton, Prestwould, by Hoton to Mr. Saville's Cover, 45 m.—Then went away by Mr. Williams's House to Hoton, back by Hoton Hills, through the Bog, Long Spinney, then round near to Stanford Earths, he went to ground, some hounds run a hare, got to a scent near Cotes, hunted about there, Stanford Park some time, and lost at the Bog.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Cropt Horse, Tott.

30th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, found, went away almost to Willoughby, back over the Fosse, then went away straight to Shoby Scholds, 22 minutes, to ground; tried the Scholds did not find, found in Thrussington Wolds, run there some time, such a very bad stormy day, we came home.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Hack Mare.

Dec. 1st.—Went to Alsop's House with 22 couple, found in the Old Cover, went away over the Lane,

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turned to the right by Thorp, thro' Mr. Goodere's Cover, pointing for Rempston, came back by Mr. Goodere's Cover, by Highfield Spinney, through Bunny Old Wood, back by the Spinney near Costock, over part of Wysall Pasture, over by Thorp Earths, he went to ground in a Drain between Rempston and Wimeswould.—1 hour.

Horses we rode—Minor, Hack Mare, Morwick.

Dec. 3d.—Went to Brooksby with 24 couple of hounds, found in one of the Frisby Gorses, came away to a Drain near Frisby, and he went to ground—11 m.—Then found in a Willow Bed, went away by Shoby, and lost near Wartnaby.

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Horse, Newbeth.

5th.—Went to Saxelby Gorse, did not hunt on account of rain.

6th.—Went to Saxelby Gorse with 22 couple of hounds, found, went away to Clawson Thorns in 20 minutes, to ground; then tried the Thorns, Holwell Mouth and the Stone Pits, a fox in ground, then tried on the Hills, we found at Dalby Wood, went away round Grimston, by Wartnaby, by the top of Holwell Mouth, through part of Piper Hole, and he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cocktail, Cropt Mare.

7th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, tried the Broughton Gorse, and the two Hicklings, did not find, we found in Parsons's Gorse, went away

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to Over Broughton, then over part of Dalby Lordship, back near to Widmerpool Barn, then back by the Turnpike Road, by the first Hickling Cover, pointing for Broughton, then came back to near Parsons's Gorse, hounds parted, hunted a scent almost to Kinoulton, and lost, came to a Hollow at Hickling Cover, went away with a scent through Parsons's Gorse, came home.

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Horse, Dixon.

Dec. 8th.—Went to Prestwold with 22 couple, tried all the Spinneys and Turnips about there and Cotes, and Stanford Bog, did not find, went to a Hollow at Mr. Saville's Cover, went away by Marshall's, by Buckley's, left Normanton and Sutton to the left, down to Kingston, and lost or drowned .. 0..1

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Harrio.

10th.—Went to Barkby Holt, with 24 couple of hounds, found, run in the Cover a little, and killed, 0..1.

Then went away by Beeby, through Scraftoft Spinney, by Thurnby, Houhgton, Norton, to Illston, lost pointing for Shankton Holt.

Horses we rode—Shark, Hack Mare, Newbeth.

12th.—Went to Six Hill, but could not hunt on account of frost.

17th.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, tried Frisby Gorse, did not find, found in the farthest Gorse, next to Mr. Haines's, came away to a Drain at an Ash Spinney near the Large Close, next Brooksby—10 m. to ground.

Horses we rode—Drone, Minor, Chrystal.

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19th.—Went to Shankton Holt with 24 couple of hounds, found 4 or 5 foxes, run about the Holt awhile, a fox went away though Bromley's Firs, to Stanton Town, back by the Wood, through Noseley Wood, to the Hall, he went to ground in a Drain under the House, the hounds killed him, running 1 hour and a quarter, ... 0..1

Tried Rolleston Wood, but did not find, we went back to the Holt and found, run 25 m. in the Cover, then went away by Carlton, by the Willow Beds, by the Earths, to Nether Kibworth, and killed, 30 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Newbeth.

Dec. 22 Went to Gumley with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Gorses and the Wood, did not find, we found in Reed's Gorse, one fox, he went away to the Earths, back by the Cover, through Gumley Wood, by the Town, to Foxton and killed, ... 0..1

Was to have hunted at Langton Cordle on monday, could not on account of frost.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Dixon.

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Jan. 14th.—Went to Budden Wood with 47 couple of hounds, we found, run about the Wood for one hour, and he went to ground in Greasley Hill, dug him out, and killed, in the Earth. 0..1

Then went & found another fox in the Wood, run there awhile, he went away, I stopt the hounds at

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the Long Spinney, then tried Bazzel, but did not find, we found in the Cobby Hill, run about there and the Wood for 45 minutes very hard, scarcely ever at a check, he went to ground.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Mr. Hugo's Filley, Harrio.

Jan 16th.—Went to Rempston with 22 couple of hounds, we found a fox in a Stubble near Marshall's, had 3 or 4 rings about the Park, Leak Field, round near to Stanford, by Buckley's, back to Mr. Saville's Cover, and killed.—1 h. 25 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Horse, Dixon.

18th.—Went to Widmerpool Row Hoe with 20 couple, found, went away over part of Stanton Closes, by Kinoulton Gorse and Town, left Hickling to the left, came away through Parson's Gorse, back to Row Hoe, then through the Cover to Widmerpool, he went to ground in a Drain, bolted him, then went away over Stanton Closes, back to the Cover, run there some time, a bad scent, we left him there, running 3 h. 45 m.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Cropt Mare.

19th.—Went to Rempston with 22 couple of hounds, found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away for Thorp Earths, back by Wysall, over the Pasture, by Highfield Spinney, by Costock, to Rempston very hard, a hare got up, some hounds run her, then came to cool hunting, thro' the Old Church Yard,

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through Mr. Saville's Cover, to Walker's, and lost, tried the Lings, the Bog, about the Park, did not find.

Horses we rode—Minor, Scarificator, Thereabout.

Jan 21st.—Went to Brooksby with 22 couple of hounds, tried Frisby Gorse, did not find, found in the farthest Gorse, went away through Haines's Gorse to the Pasture, run there awhile, had a ring round Thorp Thrustles, back to the Pasture, and killed,—half an hour, ... 0..1

Then found in Haines's Gorse, went away through the Pasture to Little Dalby, over the farthest part of Burrow Hill, almost to Somerby, and he went to ground.—3 quarters of an hour.

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Horse, Newbeth.

23d.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 22 couple, found, went away to Cossington Town, to ground; came back to the Cover, found, went away through Thrussington to Hoby, and killed.—40 m. 0..1

Then found at Shoby Scholds, went away by Ragdale to Thrussington Wolds, then went away by Grimston, through Dalby Wood, through Over Broughton, by Parsons's Gorse, almost to Kinoulton, pointing for Colston Basset, turned to the right below Hickling, and I stopt the hounds.—2 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—Minor, Scarificator, Dixon, Valiant.

26th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 20 couple, found, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Then found another in the Cover, run there about

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15 minutes, stopt the hounds, as he would not go away; then tried the first Hickling, did not find, we found at the Cover next the Road, went away thro' Parson's Gorse, over the Hill, hounds parted, we hunted a scent to Broughton, and lost, the other hounds went by Hickling and Kinoulton, they stopt the hounds going for Row Hoe, got the hounds together, and run in Row Hoe for 1 hour and a half, and lost him there.

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Thereabout.

Jan. 26th.—Went to Mr. Saville's Cover with 22 couple, did not find, tried Hell Hole and Fox Hill, did not find, found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, had two rings about Hell Hole, Fox Hill, Cragg Spinney, over part of Gotham Moor, over Leak Hills, by Costock and Rempston, almost to Wimeswould, thro' Mr. Packe's Spinneys to the Turnpike Road, back to Prestwould, and killed in the Lane.—1 h. 54 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Cropt Horse, Harrio.

28th.—Went to Queniborough with 22 couple, but could not hunt on account of frost.

Feb. 16th.—Went to Mr. Boothby's Cover with 47 couple, we found one fox in the Cover, run there about 8 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Scarificator, Cropt Mare, Loadstone.

19th.—Went to Budden Wood with 47 couple of hounds, found, run about the Wood hard for 1 h. 10 m. and killed at Mr. Farnham's, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cocktail, Shark.

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20th.—Went to Rempston with 24 couple, found at Mr. Saville's Cover, went away through the Park, the Bog, round by Cotes and Stanford Earths, back to the Cover, then went away by Rempston, Wimeswould, and killed near Thorp.—1 h. 10 m. 0..1

Horees we rode—George, Scarificator, Newbeth.

21st.—Went to Budden Wood 24 couple, tried the Wood, but did not find, tried Bazzel, did not find, we found at Swithland Wood, had a ring in the Forest, run about the Wood and lost; then found at Starnell's Gorse, came away to the Forest, and lost.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cropt Mare, Loadstone.

22d.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 22 couple, we found, went away pointing for Rearsby, came back over the Fosse, by Seagrave almost to Walton Field, back by Cross's, Quebec, through Cossington Spinney, to the Cover, and killed, ... 0..1

Then hunted a fox to Thrussington, and lost.

Horses we rode—George, Hack Mare, Cropt Mare.

23d.—Went to Quorn Turnpike with 24 couple, tried Mucklin Wood, but did not find, found in the Outwoods, went away over by Five Tree Hill, by the White Horse, over below the Ivishead, through Belton Low Wood, and lost at the Navigation near Fisher's, I believe killed by the dogs, and put in the Water; then tried Gracedieu Park, Whitwick Rocks and over the Forest, did not find we found in Bardon Hill, came away over by Charley Grounds, Timber Hill, and Whitwick Rocks, through

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Gracedieu Park, over the Turnpike Road, almost to Belton, stopt part of the hounds, the other went forward to Breedon Clouds, I went after them, and brought them home.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cropt Horse, Harrio.

Feb. 25th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 20 couple, found, went away by Hickling Covers, between the Broughtons, to Holwell Mouth, back up the Hill by Kettleby, to Mr. Kent's Thorns, back by Kettleby, to Clawson Thorns, then came away to Holwell Mouth, back into the Thorns below, and killed.—1 h. 45 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Cocktail, Shark, Driver.

26th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple, found, went away through Shoby Scholds, over the Lane by Grimston, by Saxelby Gorse, on the Hills, thro' the Stone Pits, and Holwell Mouth, almost to Clawson Thorns, bad scent, stopt the hounds,—1 h. 15 m.—then found at Saxelby, went away on the Road through Holwell Mouth, and Clawson Thorns, almost to the Town, turned to the left, came up the Valley to the Thorns below Holwell Mouth, and killed.—48 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Thereabout, Newbeth, Valiant,

28th.—Went to Mr. Haines's Gorse with 22 couple, found, went away to the Pasture, back through the Cover, by Ashby, Loseby, over the Open Field by Haltead, to Tilton Wood, and killed.—1 h. 4m. .. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Loadstone.

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March. 2d.—Went to Six Hill with 24 couple of hounds, found in Mr. Story's Spinney, went away through the Thrussington New Cover, to the Old One, run about Ragdale, round by Six Hill, to the Cover, such a bad scent we lost him; then went and found at Shoby Scholds, went away down Shoby Lane, pointing for Frisby, back on the Road by Asfordby Drain, cool hunting, then run hard by Shoby, near to the Scholds, back almost to Frisby and lost.

Horses we rode—Minor, Valiant, Cropt Mare.

4th.—Went to Syston with 22 couple of hounds, tried the Gorse, did not find, found at Barkby Holt, run about there awhile, then went away and run to ground in a drain near Beeby.—half an h. then tried by Ingersby, found at Lord Maynard's Cover, went away to the Coplow, run there awhile, and killed, a bitch fox,..... 0..1

Then found at a Gorse on the Hill going for Lord Maynard's Cover, then came away almost to Quenby, to Ingersby, then pointed for Hungarton, back by Ingersby, by Houghton, almost to Galby, near to Stretton, to Stoughton, and killed.—1 h. 27 m..... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Cocktail, Newbeth.

March 6th.—Went to Six Hill with 20 couple of hounds, tried the Spinney did not find, found in the New Cover at Walton Thorns, went away round the Old Cover, through Thrussington Wolds, by Lord Ferrers's, over Coal Pit Leas, pointing for Seagrave, back over the Fosse, by Cossington Gorse,

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by Sileby, over the River near Mountsorrel, over the Hill, near the Bridge, through Rothley Spinneys, over a part of the Plain and Thurcaston Field, thro' the Park next Crow Wood, through Swithland Wood, over Old John Hill, through Blake Hays, through the Bog, through Steward's Hay, to Martinshaw.—2 hours 30 minutes, to ground.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Valiant.

March 8th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, found, went away by Cross's, thro' Dalby Wood, to Saxelby Gorse, then went away over the Hill, left Nether Broughton to the left, down by the Smite, to Hickling, then on the side of the Hill, back between the Broughtons, up to the Hill, then back to Nether Broughton, and killed.—1 h. 24 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Thereabout, Cropt Mare.

9th.—Went to Clifton Gardens with 20 couple, tried the Gardens, hit of a scent, could not do any good with it, the hounds being wild; then found a fox run him to ground, tried Wilford Hill, Boothby's Cover, but did not find.

Horses we rode—Hack mare, Harrio, Minor.

10th.—Went to Haines's Gorse with 22 couple, found went away directly down by Ashby, into Barsby Field, back by Gaddesby, pointing for Brooksby, through Frisby Gorse, through Haines's Gorse, the top of the Pasture down by Ashby, over Barsby Field, by Croxton, through Barkby Holt, to Beeby, turned to the left to Baggrave House, to ground.—1 hour 24 minutes.

Horses we rode—Shark, Cocktail, Newbeth.

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13th—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 22 couple, found went away directly to ground; then got to fox in the Cover, run there awhile, then went away by the Hall and Ragdale, to Shoby Scholds, and lost, a snowy day.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Valiant.

15th.—Went to Walton Little Cover with 22 couple, found a bitch fox, and killed directly,..... 0..1

Then found in the Old Cover, then went away thro' the Spinneys, to Thrussington Wolds, run about there awhile, then came away by Walton Thorns and Town, by Barrow, by Sileby, back by Cossington Gorse, to Thrussington Wolds, then went away for Ragdale, almost to Hobby, by Asfordby, Welby, Sysonby, pointing for Burrow Hill, round Great Dalby, through the Thrustles, almost to Gaddesby, by Thrussington Town, to Thrussington Wolds, and stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—George, Thereabout, Valiant.

16th.—Went to Stanford with 17 couple of hounds, found at the Earths, went away to Stanford Park, run about that Country, for some time, and lost; then coming to Fox Craft, a fox got up, run him thro' Mare Hill Spinney, and killed a bitch fox near the Drain,..... 0..1

Then went to a Hollow, came away to Mr. Haines's Farm, then went away over the River, came up by the River almost to Barrow Bridge, then through Quorn Town, to Budden Wood, the hounds parted we stopt some at Mr. Herrick's, & some in the Wood.

Horses we rode—Minor, Black Horse, Harrio.

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March 18th.—Went to Bagrave House with 24 couple, tried all the Spinneys, did not find, found at Barrow Cliff, had a ring in the New Inclosure, then went away through Barkby Holt, by Beeby Drain, by Hungerton, almost to Ingersby, round Quenby Hall, to Hungerton, he went to ground in a Drain. —50 minutes.

Horses we rode—Shark, Cropt Horse, Newbeth.

19th.—Went to Stanford with 8 couple of hounds, to try Hedgerows, we tried in Normanton and Stanford, Cotes Liberty, did not find, we found on the Lings, went away very hard, a man caught a bitch fox, and we brought her home.—24 m.

Horses we rode—Minor, Tott.

20th.—Went to Whetstone Gorse with 22 couple, found, went away by Narborough Bog, through Mr. Smith's Mill, to Ratby Burrows, then through Martinshaw the hounds parted, came away to Bardon Hill, near the Holt, and lost.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Cropt Mare.

23d.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, found, went away by Willoughby Lane, left Dalby Wood to the right, on the Hills, through the Stone Pits, to Clawson Thorns, I believe he was killed by some pointers.

Then tried the Thorns and Holwell Mouth, Kent's Thorns, Saxelby Gorse, and found in Shoby Scholds, had two or three rings about that Country, and run to ground at the Earths.

Horses we rode—Shark, Vanquisher.

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25th.—Went to Haines's Gorse with 22 couple, found, and killed directly, ... 0..1

Then went away to the Pasture, run about there, Ashby Town, to Frisby Gorse, for some time, and killed near the Frisby Gorse, ... 0..1

Then found in the Cover just by, came away to Frisby Gorse, the hounds parted, one part came by Brooksby, I stopt them near Gaddesby, the others went away through the Pasture, down to Frisby, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Cocktail, Newbeth,

27th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 24 couple, found, went away through the New Cover, by Mr. Story's Spinney, pointing for Wimeswould, turned to the right by Alsop's Old Cover, over by Thorp, over Wysall Pasture, through the Highfield Spinney to the Old Wood, back down the Thick Hedge, on the bottom of Costock Lings, over Leak Field, down the Hazzle Hill, to Mr. Willoughby's Cover, had 2 rings about there and Hell Hole, got close to a fresh fox in Mr. Willoughby's New Cover, came away through Hell Hole, over Leak Field, over the Hill almost to the Decoy, back thro' Bunny Woods, Highfield Spinney, by Rempston almost to Wimeswould, and lost.—4 h. 30 m.

Horses we rode—George, Scarificator, Valiant.

29th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, tried the New Cover and the Gorses, but did not find, found in Row Hoe, run there awhile, then

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went away over the Closes, over Lodge in the Wolds by Clipston, over Tollerton Field, pointing for Trent Bridges, by Wilford Town, to Clifton Gardens, and he went to ground, bolted him, went away by the Wind Mills, over the Pasture, almost to Ruddington, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Shark, Minor, Cropt Mare.

April 1st.—Went to Langton Cordle with 20 couple, found, went away through Stanton Wood, to Shankton Holt, and lost.

3d.—Went to Marston Wood with 22 couple, tried Marston Wood and all Howthorpe Hills, did not find, found at Laughton Hills, run to Gumley, and killed, 0..1

5th.—Went to Shankton Holt with 22 couple, run about there, Bromleys Firs, and killed, ... 0..1

Hunted 3 times on the Forest, and killed, ... 1..1

Total of Foxes killed this Season, 37 Brace 1 Fox.



Aug. 16th.—We hunted on the Forest, Bowden Inn and Bradley till the 26th Oct. and killed, ... 15..0

Oct. 28th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds with 26 couple of hounds, run about the Cover for 1 h. 30 m. and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in Shoby Pool Tail, went away to Saxelby Gorse, then on the Hill almost to the Stone Pits, back under the Hill, through Dalby Wood, by Shoby Scholds to Ragdale Hall, to ground.

Horses we rode—George, Minor, Newbeth.

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30th.—Went to Budden Wood with 24 couple of hounds, found, run awhile in the Cover, then went away to Burton Lane, down near the Town, by the Dale Close, round Wimeswould, by Thorp Earths, and killed between Wimeswould and Rempston, .. 0..1
Horses we rode—Shark, Hack Mare, Drone.

Nov. 1st.—Went to Row Hoe with 26 couple, run about the cover. 1 h. 30 m. and killed 0..1
Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Cropt Mare.

2d.—Went to Walton Thorns with 24 couple, found, and killed directly, ... 0..1
Another went away a ring by Thrussington Wolds, back to the Cover, and lost; tried Thrussington Wolds, did not find, so bad a day we came home.
Horses we rode—Mr. Wright's Horse, Cocktail, Harrio.

4th.—Went to Brooksby with 24 couple of hounds, a fox crossed the Turnpike Road, hunted him to Frisby Gorse, then came away by Hudson's, down near the River, round Rotherby, up to Brooksby, hounds got a view at him, run him down to a Farm House near to the Great Close, and killed, .. 0..1
Then went and found at Frisby Gorse and killed, in the Spinney, near the Cover, ... 0..1
Horses we rode—George, Minor, Newbeth.

6th.—Went to Saxelby Gorse, with 24 couple of hounds, found, run awhile in the Cover, he went away to ground in a Drain, in a Spinney, then tried, the Cover again, did not find, tried on the Hills, the

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Stone Pits, back to Dalby Wood, found some hounds, got away, we caught them at Clawson Thorns, and got up to a fox, went away by Piper Hole, round Goadby Park, back to ditto, and lost going back for Goadby.

Horses we rode—Shark, Hack Mare, Cropt Horse.

Nov. 8th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn, found, went away round by Hickling Covers, back to the Cover, then went away by Hickling Covers, left Broughton to the right, by Clawson Thorns to Holwell Wolds, and killed.—1 h. 20 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Scarificator, Roan Horse.

9th.—We went to Swithland Wood with 24 couple, found, had 2 or 3 rings in the Wood, then went away for Hunger Hill, turned to the left through Maplewell Grounds, over the Hill, through Lee Wood, by Pilgrims, over the Gorse Hill near to Charley Grounds, left Beacon Hill to the right, through part of the Outwoods, went out of Cumberland's, hunted him away over the Grounds, almost to Muckling Wood, & lost.

Horses we rode—Hotspur, Cocktail, Drone.

11th.—We went to Mr. Haines's Gorse with 24 couple, found, went away through the Pasture, almost to the Thrustles, went away by Collins's Gorse to Kirkby Park, back by Hawley's, by Great Dalby, on the side of Burrow Hill, over the Grounds into Twyford New Enclosure, then very cool hunting all the way back to the Pasture, got to a better scent,

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but a very difficult one at times, then went away pointing for Kirkby, turned to the right, went by Burton Drains, down near Melton, then to the right by Burton, over the Brook, on the Meadows, over the Turnpike Road to Little Dalby, and lost, nearly 5 hours, many Horses tired.

Horses we rode—George, Minor, Newbeth.

Nov. 13th.—We went to Shoby Scholds with 22 couple, found in the Pool, went away over the Lane by Grimston, by Saxelby Gorse and the Stone Pits, left Holwell Mouth and Clawson Thorns to the right, very hard, then hunted him through Clawson Town, up to Piper Hole, and lost.

Horses we rode—Shark, Drone.

15th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, found, went away over the Willoughby New Enclosure to the Thorp Earths, hard, to ground.—45 m. then got on a scent, went away to Mr. Goodere's Cover, hounds parted, stopt them going for Thorp Earth, the other went away by Highfield Spinney, Bunny Wood, back by Costock, almost to the Cover, then went away over the Road, by the Old Church Yard to Stanford Park, and killed, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—Hotspur, Cropt Mare, Scarificator.

16th.—Went to Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple, found in the Mare Hill Spinney, and killed directly, 0..1

Then went to a Hollow, run about Cotes and Stanford, and lost; 3 couple of hounds brought a fox by Barrow and Quorn, to Budden Wood, and lost.

Horses we rode—Hack Mare, Cropt Mare.

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Nov. 18th.—Went to Barkby Holt with 24 couple, found in the Holt, run above an hour, then went away very hard by Beeby to a Drain near there to ground; then found 3 or 4 foxes in Scraptoft Gardens, and killed a brace, ... 0..1

Then went away with another to Barkby Holt, run there awhile, stopt the hounds.

Horses we rode—George, Newbeth, Minor.

20th.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 22 couple, found, went away for Seagrave, turned to the right, over the Fosse, by Lewin's, by Hoby, to Asfordby, 33 minutes, and killed, ... 0..1

Then found in Shoby Pool-tail, went away for Ragdale, turned to the left by Hoby, over the River by Frisby Gorse, through Ashby Pasture, back through Haines's Gorse, by Ashby Mill, cool hunting from there, left Barsby and Croxton to the left, and lost at the Brook, some very good hunting.

Horses we rode—Drone, Shark, Cocktail.

22d.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 20 couple, did not try the Cover, found in the Cover on this side the Road, went away towards Kinoulton, back by Old Dalby, on the Hills down by the Broughtons, by Clawson, and killed going for Piper Hole.—1 h. 12 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Hotspur, Leicester, Hack Mare, Scarificator down.

23d.—Went to Cotes Turnpike with 22 couple, tried some Turnips about Cotes and Stanford, did not find, hunted a scent away from the Kennel Spin-

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ney to a Drain, he went away down the Park, then went away by Hoton to Walton Field, back by Prestwould, and killed near Mare Hill Spinney.—above 1h. 0..1

Horses we rode—Minor, Cropt Horse, Stone Horse.

Nov. 25th.—Went to Barkby Holt with 22 couple, tried the Holt and Scraptoft Gardens and Spinneys, did not find, we found at Ingersby, went towards Hungarton, turned to the left, & killed near Keyham, 0..1

Then found in Lord Maynard's Cover, went away through the Coplow, over the Hill for Tilton, turned to the right, and killed near Skeffington, ... 0..1

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare.

27th.—Went to Alsop's House with 22 couple, tried down by the Brook, did not find; found in Alsop's Cover, went away by Thorp Earths to Costock, came to cool hunting, by Highfield Spinney, on to the Round Hill, back by Wysall to Thorp Earths, he went to ground; then found in Mr. Goodere's Cover, went away pointing for the Turnpike Road, then turned to the right, through Highfield Spinney, came back to the Cover again, then went away for Rempston, back towards the Cover.

Horses we rode—Shark, Drone, Harrio.

29th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, did not try the Cover, tried all the Hickling Covers, did not find, found in Kinoulton Gorse, went away leaving the Thick Edge to the right, went away to the Spinney near the Fosse, on the Hill, headed back by Othorpe, to Kinoulton Gorse, and killed, 0..1

Horses we rode—Hotspur, Newbeth, Cocktail.

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Nov. 30th.—Went to Hell Hole with 22 couple of hounds, tried it, did not find, found in Mr. Willoughby's Cover, went away to Fox Hill, run hard there, and killed.—40 minutes, ... 0..1

Then tried Cragg Spinney, the Covers beyond, and Bunny New Wood, did not find, found in the Old Wood, went away through the Park, through Ranciff, near Bradmore, near Mr. Boothby's Cover, stopt the hounds pointing to Plumtree.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Cropt Horse, Bay Horse.

Dec. 2d.—Went to Shoby Scholds with 22 couple, found in the First Cover, went away for Ragdale, turned short to the left, over Mr. Henton's Large Close, left Shoby to the left, and Grimston, went away leaving the Stone Pits to the left, over the Road through Holwell Mouth, to Clawson Thorns, and he went to ground.—25 minutes burst, tried Holwell Mouth, did not find, came home.

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare, Tett Martin.

4th.—Went to Walton Thorns with 22 couple of hounds, found, run about the Cover fox headed several times, stopt the hounds; then found at the Cover near Thrussington Wolds, went away through the Wolds, by Ragdale, by Hoby, by Thrussington, back through the Wolds, by Lord Ferrers's, pointing for Hoby, to ground.—1 h. 3 m.

Horses we rode—Shark, Harrio, Cocktail.

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Dec. 6th.—Went to Widmerpool Barn with 22 couple, found, went away over the Fosse to Parson's Gorse, back facing Broughton, by the other Hickling Cover, back by the Barn Cover, to Row Hoe, hard. —38 minutes, run there some time then went away over the Turnpike Road, then went away to the right, back by the Hickling Covers, by the Barn Cover almost to the first Hickling, on the Road to Row Hoe, run there awhile, then went away over the Turnpike Road, over the Hickling Hill, he went to ground in a Drain between there and Broughton, they where running above 3 hours.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Newbeth, Hack Mare.

7th.—Went to Mr. Herrick's Wood with 22 couple, found, had a ring in the Cover, went away to Bostock's Earths, then left Thorp to the left, and went to Loughborough Town End, then went away through the Outwoods, back through Muckling Wood, again coming for the Earths, back through Muckling, thro' the Outwoods, Brooks's, Carver's, thro' Garrendon Park, Oakley Wood went away pointing for Belton, stopt the hounds, above three hours.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cropt Horse.

Dec. 9th.—Went to Kent's Thorns with 22 couple, found, went away through Saxelby Gorse, by the Barn, coming this way, then went by the Ash Tree, on the Hill a little way, then down the Hill, and went away almost to the Spinney beyond the Stone Pits, then went away by Saxelby Gorse, left Grimston to the right, over Shoby Scholds, by Ragdale to

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Thrussington Wolds, hounds parted, one part Joe stopt coming for Cossington Gorse, the others went away by Lord Ferrers's, by Ragdale, Shoby Scholds, Saxelby Gorse, on the Hills a little way, then down into the Vale, came round by Dalby Wood, over the Moors to Thrussington Wolds, he went to ground in the Drain, near the Gorse Stack, above three h.

Horses we rode—George, Cropt Mare, Scarificator.

11th.—Went to Cossington Gorse with 22 couple, found, went away round by Seagrave, back over the Fosse to Hoby, came back hunting a good deal, came up to the Cover, and lost, then went and tried the Cover, near to Thrussington Wolds, did not find, found in the Wolds, run about 15 m. in the Drain, another fox went away from the Cover, laid the hounds on, went away over the Fosse down for Seagrave, to Cossington, came round by the Wreak and Ratcliff, left the Fosse to the left, up by Lewins's, to the Cover, had a ring or two in the Cover, and lost.—1 h. 40 m.

Horses we rode—Shark, Drone,

13th.—Went to Row Hoe with 20 couple of hounds, found, went away over Stanton Closes, over the Lodge, in the Wolds, and Plumtree Wolds, up to Clipston, back over the Wolds, almost to Keyworth Field, near to Plumtree, by Debdale, down the Field to the Town, went by Normanton, over part of the Wolds, he went to ground in a Drain in the Turnpike Road, bolted him, and killed.—1 h. 13 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Newbeth, Scarificator.

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14th.—Went to Rempston with 20 couple, found in Stanford Park, went over the Lings, came round by the Park near the Hall, through the Park, through the Bog, then went over for Normanton Lime Kilns, over the Road, down to Leak Field, over the Lings, through the Park below thk Hall, then went away out of the Park, then came back over the Earths, on the Long Spinney, then over the Road, over the Lings, going for Rempston, back through the Park, through the Bog, up the Long Spinney, over the Park, by the Hall, a ring by Mr. Williams's, back by the Ponds up to the Earths, back below the House, and killed; the hounds parted, John Raven came towards Stanford.—1 h. 54 m. 0..1

Horses we rode—Cocktail, Roan, Cropt Horse.

16th.—We went to Barkby Holt with 22 couple, found 2 or 3 foxes, run there a little while, went away at the bottom of the Cover, went away over the Brook for Croxton, by Barkby, through Haines's Gorse, had a ring in the Pasture, came away at the top by Haines's Gorse, then turned rather to the left, then went away by Gaddesby, by Barrow Clift, to the Holt again, and killed.—1 h. 15 m. 0..1

Then tried the Dale, Spinney below Hungerton, found, went away towards Keyham, turned to the right, and came between the Town and the Spinney, then went away by Ingersby almost to Keyham, then up to Hungerton, he went to ground.—16 m.—then found at Ingersby, went away pointing for Scraptoft

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turned over by Keyham, run him to ground at the Brook below the Dale Spinney, facing Hungerton.—16 minutes.

Horses we rode—Minor, Cropt Mare, Chrystal.

Dec. 18th.—Went to Thrussington Wolds, could not hunt on account of snow, so came home.

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Jan. 6th.—Went to Shankton Holt with 22 couple, found, went away by Illston, by Norton, back by the New Inn, to the Holt, and killed.—50 m. 0..1

Got to another fox, went away by Carlton, Illston, by Norton, back by the New Inn, to the Holt; then went away again for Illston, by Frisby, by Houghton, near to Scraftoft, back to ditto, stopt the hounds against Thurnby.—2 h. 50 m.

Horses we rode—Loadstone, Drone, Cocktail.

7th.—Went to Gumley with 20 couple of hounds, tried the Plantation, did not find, found at the end of Gumley Wood, run about there 15 minutes and killed, ... 0..1

Then found at Laughton Hills, run about the Hills, for 35 minutes and killed, ... 0..1

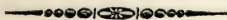
Horses we rode—Minor, Newbeth, Hotspur:

9th.—Went to Langton Cordle with 22 couple,

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tried the Cordle, Stanton, Glooston Wood, did not find, found in the Gorse below Hallaton Wood, went away by Fallow Closes, by French's Lodge, almost to Slawson, through Blaston, almost to Stockerston Wood, down by Horminghold, by Hallaton Fern, by Allextown Town, by Wardley, and lost.



Total of Foxes killed this Season, 27 Brace 1 Fox.



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BILLESDON COPLOW HUNT.

Monday, February 24th, 1800.

“ QUÆQUE IPSE MISERRIMA VIDI,
ET QUORUM PARS MAGNA FUI.”



WITH the wind at north-east, forbiddingly keen,
The COPLOW OF BILLESDON ne'er witness'd I ween,
Two hundred such Horses and Men, at a Burst,
All determin'd to ride,—each resolv'd to be first.
But to get a good start over eager and jealous,
Two-thirds, at the least, of these very fine fellows,
So crowded, and hustled, and jostled, and cross'd,
That they rode the wrong way, and at starting were lost.

IN spite of th' unpromising state of the weather,
Away broke the fox, and the hounds close together;
A Burst up to *Tilton* so brilliantly ran,
Was scarce ever seen in the mem'ry of man.
What hounds gained scent, or which led the way,
Your Bard—to their names quite a Stranger—can't say,
Tho', their names had he known, he is free to confess,
His Horse could not shew him, at such a death-pace.

Villiers, Cholmondeley, & Forrester, made such sharp play,
 Not omitting *Germain*, never seen till to-day;
 Had you judg'd of these Four by the *trim of their pace*,
 At *Bib'ry* you'd thought they'd been riding a Race.
 But these hounds with a scent—how they dash & they fling!
 To o'er-ride them is quite *the impossible thing*.
 Disdaining to hang in the Wood—thro' he raced,
 And the Open for Skeffington gallantly faced,
 Where headed, and foil'd his first point he forsook,
 And merrily led them a dance o'er the Brook.
 Pass'd Gaulby and Norton, great Stretton and small,
 Right onward still sweeping to old Stretton Hall:
 Where Two Minutes Check, serv'd to shew, at one ken,
 The extent of the havoc 'mongst Horses and Men.
 Such sighing, such sobbing, such trotting, such walking,—
 Such reeling, such halting, of Fences such baulking,—
 Such a smoke in the gaps, such comparing of Notes,—
 Such quizzing each other's daub'd breeches and coats;
 Here a Man walk'd afoot who his Horse had half kill'd,
 There you met with a Steed who his Rider had spill'd.
 In short, such Dilemmas, such Scrapes, such distress,
 One Fox ne'er occasion'd, *the knowing* confess.
 But alas! the Dilemmas had scarcely began—
 On for Wigston and Ayleston he resolute ran,
 Where a few of the stoutest now slacken'd and panted,
 And many were seen irretrievably planted.
 The high-road to Leicester the Scoundrel then cross'd,
 As *Tell-Tale (a)* and *Beaufremont (b)* found to their cost;
 And *Villiers* esteem'd it a serious bore,
 That no longer could *Shuttlecock (c)* fly as before.

(a) Mr. Forrester's Horse. (b) Mr. Maddock's Horse.

(c) Lord Villier's Horse.

Even *Joe Miller's* (d) spirit of fun was so broke,
 That *He* ceas'd to consider the Run as a *Joke*.
 Then streaming away, o'er the River he splash'd—
Germain close at hand, off the bank *Melon* (e) dash'd.
 Why the *Dun* prov'd so stout, in a scamper so Wild,
 Till now he had only been rode by a *Child*. (f)
 After him plung'd *Joe Miller* with *Musters* so slim,
 Who twice sunk, and nearly paid dear for his Whim,
 Not reflecting that all *Water Melons* must swim. }
 Well sous'd by their dip, on they brush'd o'er the bottom,
 With liquor on board enough to be besot 'em :
 But the Villain no longer at all at a loss,
 Stretch'd away like a Devil at ENDERBY GORSE.
 Where meeting with many a Brother and Cousin,
 Who knew how to dance a good Hay in the Furzen,
Jack Raven (g) at length coming up on a Hack,
 Whom a Farmer had lent him—whipp'd off the game Pack.
 Runningsulky, Old *Loadstone* (h) the Stream would not swim,
 No longer Sport proving a *Magnet* to him.

Of Mistakes, and Mishaps, and what each Man befell,
 Would the Muse could with justice Poetical tell !

Bob Grosvenor on *Plush* (i)—tho' determin'd to ride,
 Lost, at first, a good Start, and was soon set aside ;
 Tho' he charg'd hill and dale, not to lose this rare chace,
 On *Velvet—Plush* could not get footing alas !

(d) Mr. Muster's Horse. (e) Mr. Germain's Horse.

(f) Formerly the property of Mr. Child, to whom this Hunt is perhaps originally indebted for the present spirited Style of riding to Hounds.

(g) The name of the Huntsman. (h) The Huntsman's Horse.

(i) Mr. Robert Grosvenor's Horse.

Yet prithee, dear *Charles*, why rash vows do you make—
Thy leave of old *Billesdon* (*n*) to finally take?

Since from *Sex's Hill* (*o*) for instance, or p'haps *Melton*
Spinney,

If they go a good pace—you are *beat* for a Guinea.

'Tis money, they say, makes the Mare to go kind—

The Proverb has vouch'd for this time out of mind;

But tho' of this truth you admit the full force,

It may not hold so good, of every Horse.

If it did, *Ellis Charles* need not hustle and hug,

By Name not by Nature, his favourite *Slug*, (*p*)

Yet *Slug as he is*—the *whole* of this Chace,

Charles ne'er cou'd have seen, had he gone *a snail's pace*.

Old *Gradus*, (*q*) whose fretting and fuming at first,

Disqualifies strangely for such a tight Burst,

E'er to *Tilton* arriv'd, ceas'd to pull and to crave,

And tho' freshish at *Stretton* he stepp'd a *Pas grave*;

Where in turning him over a cramp kind of place,

He overturn'd *George*, whom he threw on his face:

And on foot to walk home it had sure been his fate,

But that soon he was caught, and tied up to a gate.

Near *Wigston* occur'd a most singular joke,

Captain Miller averr'd that his Leg he had broke,—

And bemoan'd in most piteous expressions, how hard,

By so cruel a fracture, to have his sport marr'd.

(*n*) He had threatened never again to attempt following the Hounds
from *Billesdon*, as no Horse could carry his weight up to them in that
part of the Country. (e) A very different part of the Hunt.

(*p*) Mr. Charles *Ellis's* Horse. (q) Mr. George *Ellis's* Horse.

In *quizzing* his Friends he felt little remorse,
 To *finesse* the compleat doing up of his Horse.
 Had he told a long story of losing a Shoe,
 Or of laming his Horse, he very well knew
 That the *Leicestershire Creed*, out this Truism worms,
 “*Lost Shoes, and dead beat, are Synonymous terms.*” (r)
 So a Horse must here learn, whatever he does—
 To die *game*—as at *Tyburn*—and “*die in his Shoes.*”

Bethel Cox, and *Tom Smith*, Messieurs *Bennet & Hawke*,
 Their Nags all contriv'd to reduce to a walk.

Maynard's Lord, who detests competition and strife,
 As well in the Chace, as in social life,
 Than whom nobody harder has rode in his time,
 But to *crane* (s) now and then, now thinks it no crime—
 That he beat some crack Riders most fairly may crow,
 For he *liv'd* to the end, tho' he scarcely knows *how*.

With Snaffle and Martingale kept in his rear,
 His Horse's mouth open half up to the ear,
Mr. Wardle, who threat'ned great things over night, (t)
 Beyond Stretton was left in most terrible plight,
 Too lean to be press'd, yet egg'd on by compulsion,
 No wonder his Nag tumbled into convulsion.

(r) Indeed so implicit is this article of the Meltonian belief, that many a Horse, in addition to the misfortune of breaking a hoof from losing his shoe, has laboured likewise under the aforesaid unavoidable imputation, to his everlasting disgrace.

(s) Crane—The term derives it's origin from the necessary *extension of neck* of such Sportsmen as dare to incur the reproach, by venturing “*to look before they leap.*”

(t) Who was said to have threaten'd, that he would beat the whole Field the next day.

Ah! had he but lost a fore Shoe, or fell lame,
'Twould only his *Sport* have curtail'd, not his *Fame*. (u)

Loraine, (v) than whom no one his game plays more safe.
Who the last than the first prefers seeing by half—
What with *Nicking*, (w) and keeping a constant look out,
Every turn of the Scent surely turn'd to account.
The wonderful pluck of his Horse surpris'd some,
But he knew they were making *point blank* for his home.
“*Short home*” to be brought we all should desire,
Could we manage the trick like the *Enderby Squire*. (x)

Wild *Shelly* (y) at starting, all ears and all eyes,
Who to get a *good Start* all experiments tries,
Yet contriv'd it so ill, as to throw out poor *Gipse*y, (z)
Whom he rattled along as if he'd been tipsey
To catch them again, but tho' famous for speed,
She never could *touch* (1) them, much less *get a lead*. (2)

(u) For which express purpose, more than *Sport*, some are silly enough to suppose he hunts; and which, tho' he did actually succeed in, in one instance some seasons ago, he probably never will do again, having threatned it frequently since, with as little success.

(v) Mr. Loraine Smith.

(w) A term of great *reproach*, according to the above dialect, to those who are so shabby as to *cut across* to the Hounds, when it is esteem'd so much more *honourable* to follow their very track; by which *spirited* line of conduct, *they* may be pretty certain of never seeing them at all.

(x) Where Mr. Loraine Smith lives.

(y) Sir John Shelly.—Wild with *joy upon these occasions* must be here meant, as no one can be, personally, more *serious and sedate*—Indeed—if the worthy Baronet has a *Folble*. it is—*Gravity*.

(z) Sir John Shelley's Mare.

(1) *Touch*—Meaning according to the Melton dialect, *overtake*.

(2) *Get a lead*—By which it is to be understood, securing the *privilege* of breaking your neck *first*, and when you fall, of being rode over by a hundred and ninety-nine of the best fellows upon Earth, to a *dead certainty*.

So disheart'ned, (3) disjointed, and beat, home he swings,
Not much unlike a Fidler hung upon strings.

An *H. H.* (4) who in Leicestershire never had been,
So of course such a *Tickler* (5) ne'er could have seen ;
Just to see them throw off, on a *raw* (6) Horse was mounted,
Who a hound had ne'er seen, or a Fence had confronted.
But they found in such *Style*, (7) & went off at such score, (8)
That he could not resist the attempt to see more :
So with scrambling, (9) & dashing, (10) & one rattling fall, (11)
He saw all the Fun, up to Stretton's White Hall.
There they anchor'd—in plight not a little distressing—
The Horse being *raw*, he of course got a *dressing*.

(3) Nor can that astonish any one; when it is considered, what an *inestimable privilege* he has lost.

(4) It is not quite clear whether these initials are meant to apply to a *Hampshire Hog*, or the *Hampshire Hunt*. If to the Hog, it does not appear that he saved his Bacon.

(5) *Tickler*—(*Meltonice*) a Run so severe, that there is no *laughing* at it.

(6) *Raw*—(*Ibid.*) A Horse who knew nothing of the business he was going about—or *wished* to know.

(7) *Style*, means the best possible manner of doing any thing. As for instance, when a Man rides his Horse full speed at double Posts and Rails with a *Squire-Trap* on the other side, (which is a *moderate* ditch of about two yards wide, cut on purpose to break Gentlemen's necks)—he is then reckoned, at *Melton*, to have rode at it in *Style*—especially if he is caught in the said *Squire-Trap*.

(8) *Score*, means that kind of *Pace*, which perhaps neither you nor your Horse ever went before, and if you have not more luck than falls to the share of every first experiment of the kind, 'tis ten to one but he falls, before he can (what *They* call) *get on his legs*—in which case you may *rest perfectly satisfied* that he must roll over you two or three times at least, before he can stop himself.

(9) *Scrambling* means, when a Horse does not leave above *Three* of his Legs behind him, and *saves* himself by pitching on his head.

(10) *Dashing* means, when a Man *charges* a Fence (which no other word can express so fully) on the other side of which it is impossible to guess *what* mischief awaits him, but where his getting a Fall is reduced as nearly as possible, to a *moral certainty*.

(11) *Rattling fall*—Q. E. D.

That wonderful Mare of *Vanneck's*, who till now,
 By no chance ever tir'd, (12) was taken in tow :
 And what's worse, she gave *Van* such a develish jog
 In the face with her head, plunging out of a Bog,
 That with Eye black as ink, or Edward's fam'd Prince,
 Half blind has he been, and quite deaf ever since.
 " *But let not that mortify Thee, Shacaback*"— (13)
 She only was *blown* (14) and came home a *rare Hack*.

There *Craven* too stopp'd—whose misfortune, not fault,
 His Mare unaccountably vex'd with *String-halt*, (15)
 And when she had ceas'd thus *Spasmodic* to prance,
 Her mouth 'gan to twitch with *St. Vitus's Dance*. (15)

But how shall describ'd be the fate of of *Rose Price* ? (16)
 Whose fav'rite white Gelding convey'd him so nice
 Thro' thick and thro' thin, that he vow'd and protested, (17)
 No money should part them, as long as life lasted.

(12) Which if other proof were wanting, ascertains *beyond any thing else*, the severity of this Chace.

(13) A familiar appellation, borrow'd from *Blue Beard*, and bestowed by his friends at *Melton* on *Mr. Vanneck*, than which nothing can more thoroughly prove the estimation in which his Society is held there, since none but *good Fellows* are ever esteemed, according to the *Meltonian* principles, worthy of a nick name.

(14) Which was *his own* observation, the merit of which I would scorn to assume, but for the truth of which (at least the *latter* assertion) I can vouch, as I perfectly agree with him that I never saw a more *compleat Hack*, tho' he is pleased to call her a Hunter.

(15) (15) Two nervous affections, in every sense of the word very *distressing*, especially to a bye stander who cannot command his risible muscles upon so *melancholy* an occasion.

(16) A Gentleman, of whom it has been *erroneously* said, that he never returned from Hunting, but his Horse was sure to be either *lame* or *knocked up*.

(17) At the Cover side, his horse had been particularly admired, and a considerable Sum of Money offered for him.

But *the Pace* (18) that effected, which Money could not :
 For to part—and in Death ! was their no distant lot.
 In a fatal blind ditch *Carlo Khan's* (19) powers fail'd,
 Where no Lancet, (20) nor Laudanum (20) either avail'd.
 More care (21) of a Horse than he took, could take no Man—
 He'd more *Straw* than would serve any lying in Woman.
 Still he died!—yet just *how*, as nobody knows,
 It may truly be said,—He died “ *under the Rose.*”
 At the death of poor *Khan*, *Melton* (22) feels such remorse,
 That they've christen'd *that Ditch—the Vale of White Horse!*

Thus ended a Chace, which for distance and speed,
 It's fellow we never have heard of, or read,
 Every species of ground, ev'ry Horse does not suit,
 What's a good *Country* (23) *Hunter*, may here prove a Brute;
 And unless for all sorts of strange Fences prepar'd,
 A man and his Horse are sure to be scared.

(18) Which is a complete answer to that important question, so vauntingly asked by a favourite Poet, when he exclaims—in language indeed somewhat *bold*—“ Pray what can do that, which Money can not?”

(19) The name of *Poor Mr. Price's Horse.*

(20) (20) Two excellent Restoratives where the Patient is not too far gone—Where he is (as in the present case,) inimitable Soporifics.

(21) Indeed it is only to be lamented, that Mr. P had not taken rather more care of him a *little earlier* in the day, which probably would have obviated the necessity of this *Accouchement.*

(22) Which redounds highly to the credit and the *Sympathy* of the *Melton* Gentlemen, and completely refutes a very ill natur'd but groundless supposition, that their sensibility will ever suffer them to make a *joke* of any such heavy loss a Gentleman may happen to sustain, especially if the Gentleman likewise happens to be *heavy himself*, which, of course, doubles the weight of the misfortune.

(23) As every *Country Gentleman* may not comprehend the force of this expression, he ought to know, that the *Meltonians*, hold every Horse who cannot “ *Go along a slapping pace,*”—“ *Stay at that pace,*”—“ *Skin ridge and furrow*”—“ *Catch his Horses*”—“ *Top a flight of Rails*”—“ *Come well into the next field*”—“ *Charge an Ox Fence*”—“ *Go in and*

This Variety gives constant *Life* to the Chace ;

But as *Forrester* (24) says, "*Sir, what KILLS, is the PACE.*" (25)

In most other Countries, they boast of their breed,

For carrying, at times, such a beautiful *Head*; (26)

But these Hounds to carry a Head cannot fail,

And constantly too—for by George there's—*no Tail.* (26)

Talk of Horses, and Hounds, and the System of Kennel—
Give me Leicestershire Nags—& the Hounds of *Old Meynell*.

out clever"—"Face a Brook"—*Swish at a Rasper*"—and in short—"Do all that kind of thing"—which are all so plain and intelligible, that it's impossible to *mistake* their meaning,—that Horse is held in the same contempt in *Leicestershire*, as a Coxcomb holds a Country Bunkin. In vulgar Countries (*i. e. all others*) where these accomplishments are not indispensable, he *may* be a Hunter.

[24] A Gentleman who *practically explains* all the above accomplishments to the great edification of young Horses, and the no less *astonishment of weak minds*.

[25] A favourite maxim of Mr. *Forrester's*, of the truth of which, he seldom loses an opportunity of endeavouring to make his Friends *thoroughly sensible*.

[26] As heads and Tails are not here to be understood in the common acceptation of the words, and as all Ladies are not Sportswomen enough to be aware that they have no reference to the Human Head or Tail—they should know, that when you can "*cover the Hounds with a Sheet*" (which any *Meltonian* will explain to them more particularly) they are then said to carry a *beautiful Head*. When, on the contrary, they follow the Leader in a line, like a flight of wild fowl, they are then said—to *Tail*.

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